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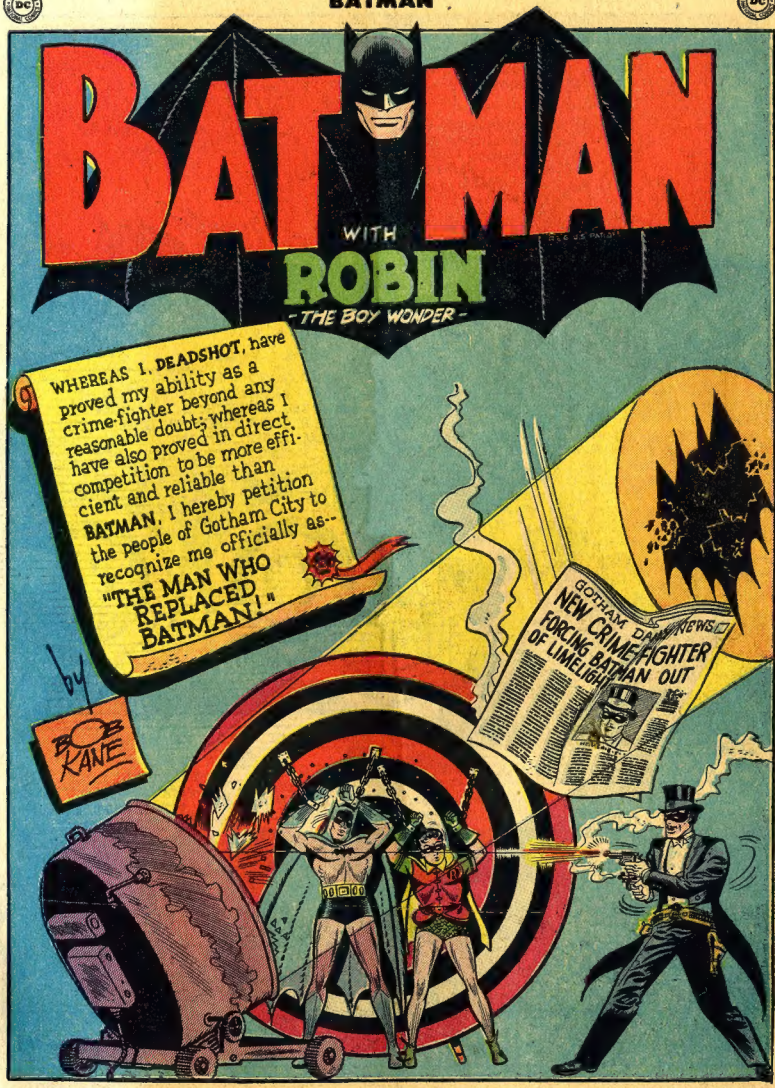
BATMAN
WITH
ROBIN
-THE BOY WONDER-
WHEREAS I, DEADSHOT, have proved my ability as a crime-fighter beyond any reasonable doubt; whereas I have also proved in direct competition to be more efficient and reliable than BATMAN, I hereby petition the people of Gotham City to recognize me officially as--
"THE MAN WHO REPLACED BATMAN!"
by
BOB KANE
GOTHAM DAILY NEWS
NEW CRIME-FIGHTER FORCING BATMAN OUT OF LIMELIGHT

AS NIGHT FALLS ON GOTHAM CITY, SOCIALITE BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS WARD, DICK GRAYSON, TEMPORARILY DROP THEIR CAREERS AS BATMAN AND ROBIN...
WHEE! A VACATION AT LAST--EVEN IF IT IS ONLY A SHORT ONE!
YES, DICK. REMEMBER--WE'VE GOT SOME UNFINISHED BUSINESS! "TRIGGER" RHODES AND THE DETROIT KID ARE STILL AT LARGE...
BUT NOT ALL OF GOTHAM CITY IS SO VACATION-MINDED. ONE MAN, MILLIONAIRE FLOYD LAWTON, IS WORKING IN DEAD EARNEST!
MY AIM WAS NEVER MORE DEADLY! AT LAST I AM READY FOR MY BIG ADVENTURE!
YOU FORGOT TO STAMP OUT YOUR CIGARETTE, STEVENS... DON'T BOTHER--I'LL DO IT WITH A BULLET--AIMING BY LOOKING INTO THIS MIRROR!
YOUR AIM IS INCREDIBLE, SIR! IT WAS A GOOD INVESTMENT, BUILDING YOUR OWN PRIVATE SHOOTING RANGE...
HOW GOOD AN INVESTMENT WE SHALL SOON SEE, STEVENS! I BELIEVE I AM READY TO PUT MY MASTER PLAN IN ACTION!
YOU ARE--YOU ARE! YOU CAN DO ANYTHING WITH THOSE GUNS OF YOURS!
MINUTES LATER, IN LAWTON'S STUDY...
TUNE THE RADIO TO POLICE CALLS, STEVENS... WITH LUCK, MY NEW CAREER COULD BEGIN TONIGHT!
SUDDENLY, AS A FLASH COMES OVER THE RADIO..
... BURGLARY AT 22 FRONT ST.! ATTENTION, PLEASE...
A BURGLARY--EXCELLENT! AND NOW--EXIT FLOYD LAWTON--ENTER "DEADSHOT"--NEW FIGHTER AGAINST CRIME!
GOOD LUCK, SIR!

MOMENTS LATER, AT 22 FRONT ST. . . .
WE'LL SPLIT UP AND RUN FOR IT!
JEWEL
SUDDENLY...
HEY--LOOK! WHAT A SHOT--OR WAS IT LUCK?
WHO'S THAT GUY WITH THE GUNS, ANYWAY?
WILTON
KLONG
THEN, AS THE SECOND CROOK ATTEMPTS TO GET AWAY...
CLUNK
BANG
THAT'S NOT LUCK, BROTHER--THAT'S SHOOTING! I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT IN MY LIFE!
WHO ARE YOU, MISTER--AND WHAT'S YOUR GAME?
CALL ME DEADSHOT--FOR OBVIOUS REASONS! AND MY GAME IS TO BE THE EQUAL OF--IF NOT THE SUCCESSOR TO--BATMAN!
BROUGHT BEFORE COMMISSIONER GORDON, DEADSHOT CONTINUES HIS EXPLANATION...
EVERYTHING'S LEGAL--I HAVE A PERMIT FOR MY GUNS. IS THERE ANY REASON WHY I CAN'T BE ANOTHER BATMAN? HAS HE A MONOPOLY ON CRIME-FIGHTING?
WELL--NO! BUT THERE ARE THINGS WE MUST CONSIDER. THOSE GUNS, FOR INSTANCE--BATMAN NEVER USES A GUN...
BUT I NEVER SHOOT TO KILL! COME, COMMISSIONER--ALLOW ME TO CO-OPERATE WITH THE POLICE...
WHY NOT JOIN US... BECOME A POLICEMAN OR DETECTIVE? WHY DO IT THE HARD WAY?
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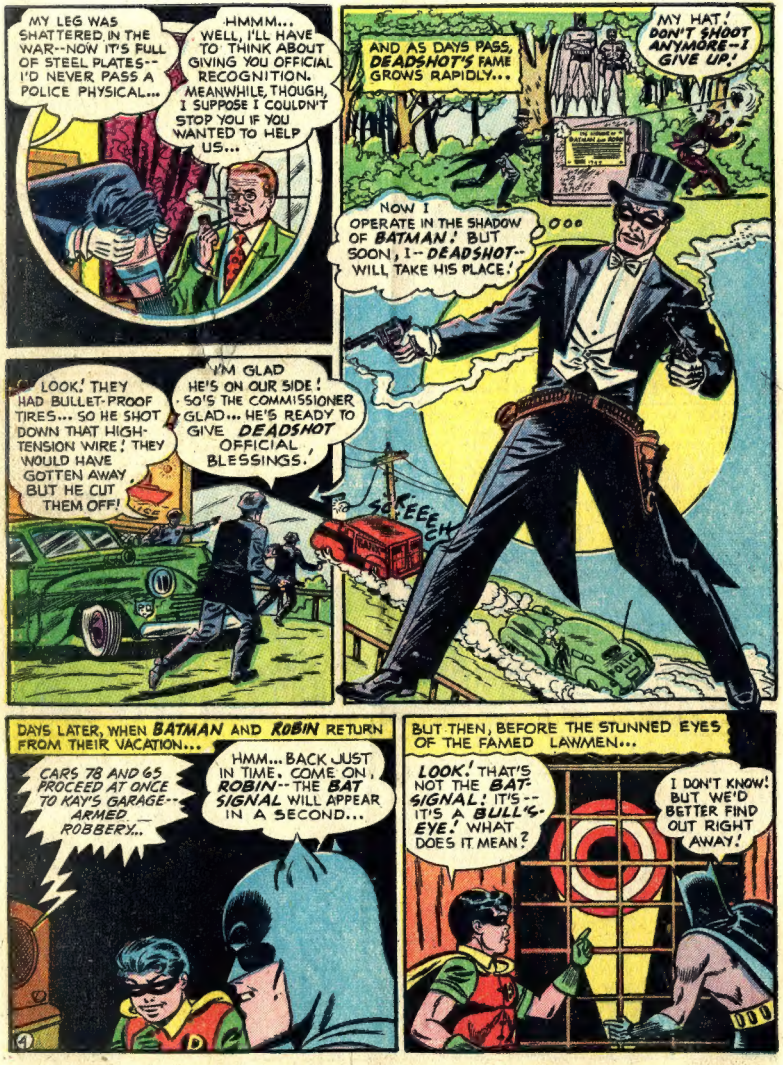
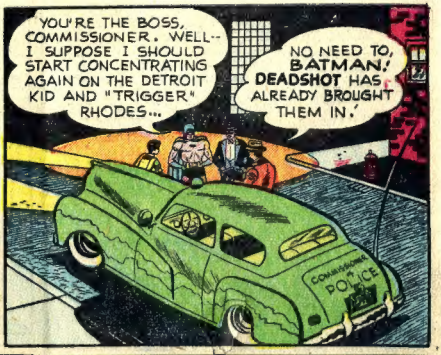
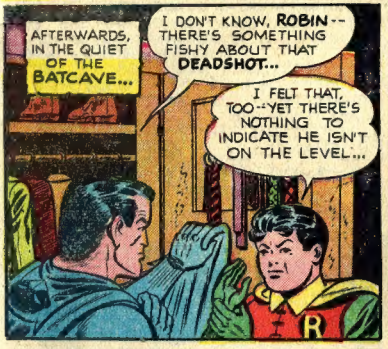
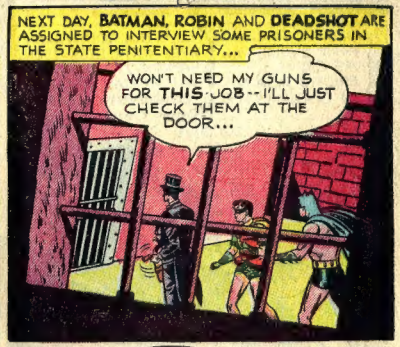

MY LEG WAS SHATTERED IN THE WAR--NOW IT'S FULL OF STEEL PLATES--I'D NEVER PASS A POLICE PHYSICAL...
HMMM... WELL, I'LL HAVE TO THINK ABOUT GIVING YOU OFFICIAL RECOGNITION. MEANWHILE, THOUGH, I SUPPOSE I COULDN'T STOP YOU IF YOU WANTED TO HELP US...
AND AS DAYS PASS, DEADSHOT'S FAME GROWS RAPIDLY...
MY HAT! DON'T SHOOT ANYMORE--I GIVE UP!
NOW I OPERATE IN THE SHADOW OF BATMAN! BUT SOON, I--DEADSHOT--WILL TAKE HIS PLACE!
LOOK! THEY HAD BULLET-PROOF TIRES... SO HE SHOT DOWN THAT HIGH-TENSION WIRE! THEY WOULD HAVE GOTTEN AWAY, BUT HE CUT THEM OFF!
I'M GLAD HE'S ON OUR SIDE! SO'S THE COMMISSIONER GLAD... HE'S READY TO GIVE DEADSHOT OFFICIAL BLESSINGS.
SKEEECH
POLICE
DAYS LATER, WHEN BATMAN AND ROBIN RETURN FROM THEIR VACATION...
CARS 78 AND 65 PROCEED AT ONCE TO KAY'S GARAGE--ARMED ROBBERY...
HMM... BACK JUST IN TIME. COME ON, ROBIN--THE BAT SIGNAL WILL APPEAR IN A SECOND...
BUT THEN, BEFORE THE STUNNED EYES OF THE FAMED LAWMEN...
LOOK! THAT'S NOT THE BAT-SIGNAL! IT'S--IT'S A BULL'S-EYE! WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
I DON'T KNOW! BUT WE'D BETTER FIND OUT RIGHT AWAY!

LATER, AFTER THE CROOKS HAVE BEEN CAPTURED, COMMISSIONER GORDON EXPLAINS THE WHOLE STORY TO BATMAN...
...AND THAT'S IT, BATMAN... NOW, IN ADDITION TO YOU, I HAVE DEADSHOT TO HELP AGAINST CRIME...
TWO OF ANYTHING IS ALWAYS BETTER THAN ONE, DON'T YOU THINK, BATMAN?

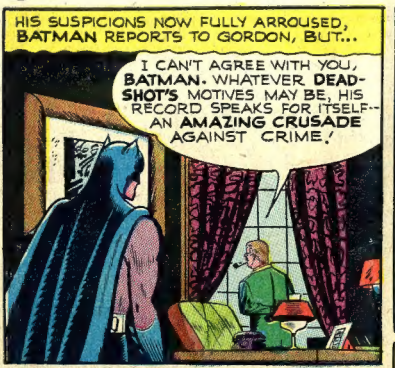

YOU'RE THE BOSS, COMMISSIONER. WELL--I SUPPOSE I SHOULD START CONCENTRATING AGAIN ON THE DETROIT KID AND "TRIGGER" RHODES...
NO NEED TO, BATMAN! DEADSHOT HAS ALREADY BROUGHT THEM IN.
COMMISSIONER POLICE

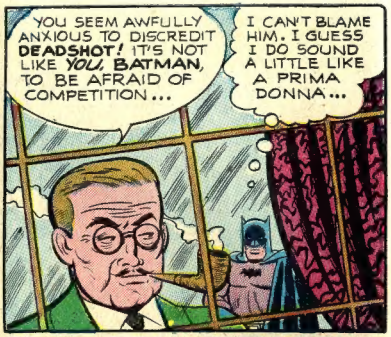

AFTERWARDS, IN THE QUIET OF THE BATCAVE...
I DON'T KNOW, ROBIN--THERE'S SOMETHING FISHY ABOUT THAT DEADSHOT...
I FELT THAT, TOO--YET THERE'S NOTHING TO INDICATE HE ISN'T ON THE LEVEL...


NEXT DAY, BATMAN, ROBIN AND DEADSHOT ARE ASSIGNED TO INTERVIEW SOME PRISONERS IN THE STATE PENITENTIARY...
WON'T NEED MY GUNS FOR THIS JOB--I'LL JUST CHECK THEM AT THE DOOR...

AND WHEN THE ROUTINE QUESTIONING IS OVER...
GUESS NOT! THIS "ELECTRIC EYE" WOULD HAVE FOUND 'EM...
HA-HA! NO SECRET WEAPONS ON ME!

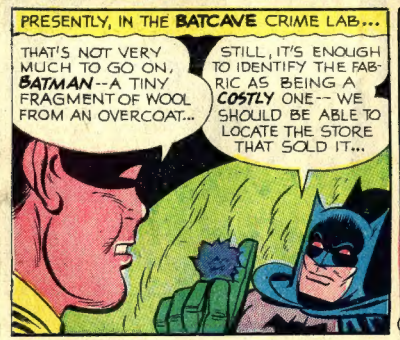
YOU SEE, ROBIN? IF HE HAD STEEL PLATES IN HIS LEG THE WAY HE CLAIMS, THEY WOULD HAVE REGISTERED ON THAT "ELECTRIC EYE"!
YES! THAT PUNCHES ONE HOLE IN HIS STORY! I BET WE CAN FIND A LOT MORE!

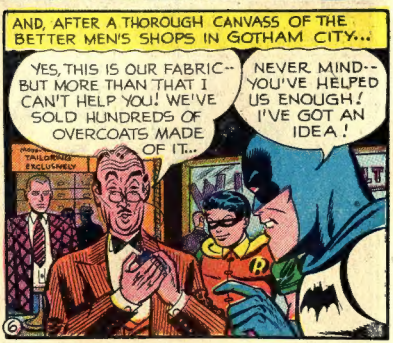

HIS SUSPICIONS NOW FULLY ARROUSED, BATMAN REPORTS TO GORDON, BUT...
I CAN'T AGREE WITH YOU, BATMAN. WHATEVER DEAD-SHOT'S MOTIVES MAY BE, HIS RECORD SPEAKS FOR ITSELF--AN AMAZING CRUSADE AGAINST CRIME!

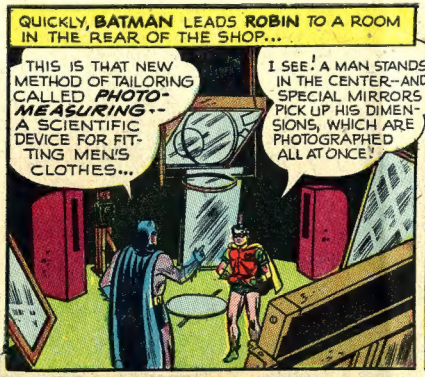

YOU SEEM AWFULLY ANXIOUS TO DISCREDIT DEADSHOT! IT'S NOT LIKE YOU, BATMAN, TO BE AFRAID OF COMPETITION...
I CAN'T BLAME HIM. I GUESS I DO SOUND A LITTLE LIKE A PRIMA DONNA...

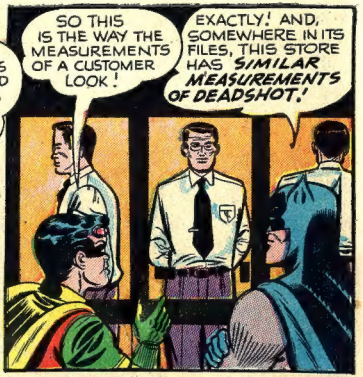
THAT EVENING... AS CRIME ERUPTS AGAIN IN GOTHAM CITY...
LET'S GO, ROBIN... AND KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN! WE'VE GOT TO LEARN ALL WE CAN ABOUT DEADSHOT ON OUR OWN!
BRRR! A COLD NIGHT TO CATCH CROOKS!

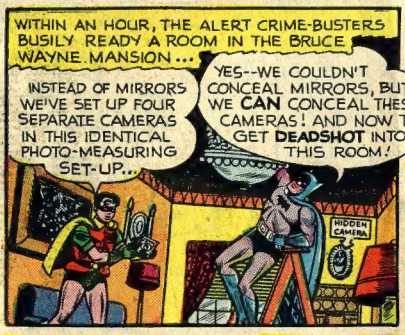
MINUTES LATER, AS DEADSHOT AND THE DYNAMIC DUO CONVERGE ON HAPLESS CRIMINALS...
DEADSHOT SHOT A PIECE OF HIS OWN POCKET OFF! I'LL PICK IT UP WHEN I GET THE CHANCE...


PRESENTLY, IN THE BATCAVE CRIME LAB...
THAT'S NOT VERY MUCH TO GO ON, BATMAN--A TINY FRAGMENT OF WOOL FROM AN OVERCOAT...
STILL, IT'S ENOUGH TO IDENTIFY THE FABRIC AS BEING A COSTLY ONE--WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO LOCATE THE STORE THAT SOLD IT...


AND, AFTER A THOROUGH CANVASS OF THE BETTER MEN'S SHOPS IN GOTHAM CITY...
YES, THIS IS OUR FABRIC--BUT MORE THAN THAT I CAN'T HELP YOU! WE'VE SOLD HUNDREDS OF OVERCOATS MADE OF IT...
NEVER MIND--YOU'VE HELPED US ENOUGH! I'VE GOT AN IDEA!
TAILORED EXCLUSIVELY


QUICKLY, BATMAN LEADS ROBIN TO A ROOM IN THE REAR OF THE SHOP...
THIS IS THAT NEW METHOD OF TAILORING CALLED PHOTO-MEASURING -- A SCIENTIFIC DEVICE FOR FITTING MEN'S CLOTHES...
I SEE! A MAN STANDS IN THE CENTER--AND SPECIAL MIRRORS PICK UP HIS DIMENSIONS, WHICH ARE PHOTOGRAPHED ALL AT ONCE!


SO THIS IS THE WAY THE MEASUREMENTS OF A CUSTOMER LOOK!
EXACTLY! AND, SOMEWHERE IN ITS FILES, THIS STORE HAS SIMILAR MEASUREMENTS OF DEADSHOT!


WITHIN AN HOUR, THE ALERT CRIME-BUSTERS BUSILY READY A ROOM IN THE BRUCE WAYNE MANSION...
INSTEAD OF MIRRORS WE'VE SET UP FOUR SEPARATE CAMERAS IN THIS IDENTICAL PHOTO-MEASURING SET-UP...
YES--WE COULDN'T CONCEAL MIRRORS, BUT WE CAN CONCEAL THESE CAMERAS! AND NOW TO GET DEADSHOT INTO THIS ROOM!
HIDDEN CAMERA

SHORTLY AFTERWARDS...
WHAT'S UP, MR. WAYNE?
I BELIEVE SOMEONE HAS PLANTED A TIME-BOMB IN MY HOUSE! COME--I'LL SHOW YOU...

AND AS BRUCE LEADS DEADSHOT INTO THE CAMERA-RIGGED ROOM...
IF YOU STAND THERE, YOU MIGHT HEAR IT...
I DON'T HEAR ANYTHING...
THANKS, DEADSHOT--FOR POSING SO NICELY
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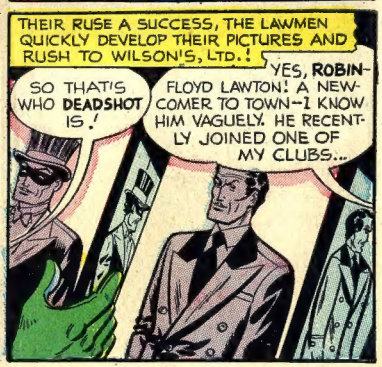
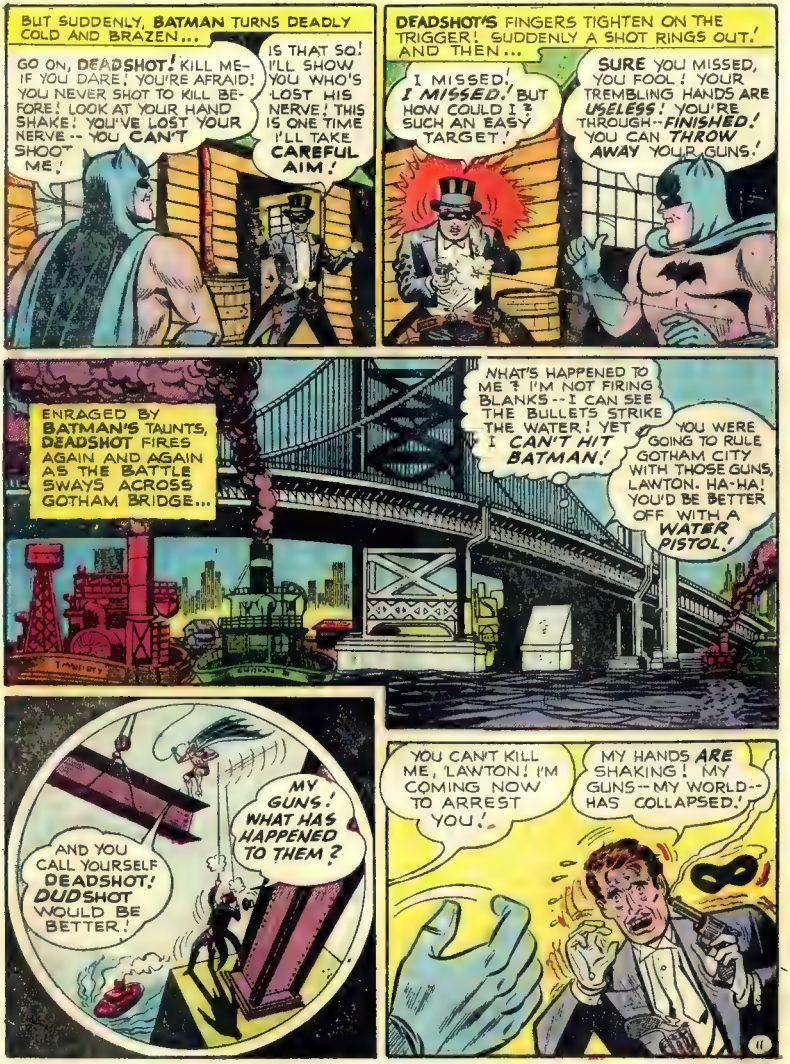

THEIR RUSE A SUCCESS, THE LAWMEN QUICKLY DEVELOP THEIR PICTURES AND RUSH TO WILSON'S, LTD.!
SO THAT'S WHO DEADSHOT IS!
YES, ROBIN--FLOYD LAWTON! A NEWCOMER TO TOWN--I KNOW HIM VAGUELY. HE RECENTLY JOINED ONE OF MY CLUBS...

MINUTES LATER, AT THE LAWTON RESIDENCE...
YES, STEVENS! EACH DAY BATMAN LOSES MORE FACE WITH COMMISSIONER GORDON WHILE I, AND MY GUNS, RISE IN HIS ESTEEM!
AHH, MR. LAWTON! SOON YOU WILL REPLACE BATMAN! AND THEN YOU'LL RUN THIS CITY THE WAY YOU'VE DREAMED --AS ITS GREATEST CRIME LORD!
IT'S JUST AS YOU FEARED! WHAT NOW? GORDON WON'T BELIEVE US WHEN WE TELL HIM WHAT WE'VE JUST HEARD!
WE NEED PROOF-- SOMETHING CONCRETE! MEANWHILE, I'LL TRY TO FORCE THE ISSUE-- BY A DIRECT FRONTAL ATTACK!
AND NEXT EVENING, WHEN AN ESCAPED CONVICT IS TRACKED TO THE GOTHAM OPERA HOUSE....
NICE SHOOTING, FLOYD LAWTON! YES, I KNOW WHO YOU ARE, ALL RIGHT-- AND WHAT YOU'RE UP TO!
HUH?
OKAY-- YOU KNOW ME-- SO WHAT? THE COMMISSIONER WON'T LISTEN TO YOU! HE THINKS YOU'RE JEALOUS!
YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS!
OH, WON'T I? HA, HA? YOU CAN'T STOP MY GUNS AND ME, BATMAN! EVERY MARKSMAN IS ENTITLED TO ONE MISS. SO I'M GOING TO KILL YOU SOON-- BY ACCIDENT, OF COURSE-- BUT NO ONE WILL SUSPECT!
NATIONAL OPERA
MOZART - NOISMITH - RIGHT
TONIGHT
STA DOO
FACED WITH THE CRISIS OF HIS CAREER, BATMAN GRIMLY SEEKS A SOLUTION. A FEW NIGHTS LATER, AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS...
WE'VE GOT TO WATCH HIM LIKE A HAWK--TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE FIRST SLIP HE MAKES ... BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!
GOSH-- HE SURE IS GORDON'S FAIR-HAIRED BOY THESE DAYS...

HMM...THAT MUST BE AN IMPORTANT CALL--ELSE HE WOULD HAVE USED THE PHONE IN GORDON'S OFFICE...LET'S DO A LITTLE EAVESDROPPING, ROBIN.'
MOMENTS LATER...
{WHISPER} A WET-RIMMED WINE GLASS IS A WONDERFUL DEVICE FOR HEARING THROUGH WALLS.'
{WHISPER} LUCKY WE KNEW THIS CLOSET WAS RIGHT BEHIND THE PHONE BOOTH.'
STEVENS...TELL JOHNSON HE CAN KNOCK OVER THE CENTRAL BANK AT 4 TOMORROW AFTERNOON.' I'LL HAVE THE POLICE ENGAGED ELSEWHERE...
SECONDS LATER...
IT'S THE BREAK WE WANTED! NOW WE CAN EXPOSE LAWTON.'
AND, AFTER THE COMMISSIONER HAS HEARD BATMAN'S STORY...
IT'S SO HARD TO BELIEVE--AFTER ALL THE GOOD WORK HE'S DONE...
HE'S PLAYED A DEEP GAME, COMMISSIONER--BUT HE'S COME TO THE END OF HIS ROPE.'
NEXT DAY, SHORTLY BEFORE 4 O'CLOCK...
COMMISSIONER--I'VE GOT A TIP THAT "FINGERS" BLAKE IS HOLED UP IN THE EAST END...
SORRY {COUGH}, DEADSHOT--WE'VE URGENT BUSINESS ELSEWHERE. WON'T YOU JOIN US?
POLICE

SOON...
NOTICE HOW EMBARRASSED DEADSHOT WAS--AND HOW HE REFUSED TO COME ALONG?
I'M AFRAID YOU'RE RIGHT, BATMAN..
CENTRAL BANK
BUT A HALF HOUR PASSES, AND NO ATTEMPT IS MADE ON THE BANK. THEN...
DEADSHOT'S JUST BROUGHT IN "FINGERS" BLAKE, COMMISSIONER!
HMPH, LET'S GET OUT OF HERE. BATMAN--YOU HAVE A LOT TO EXPLAIN!
I'VE BEEN TRICKED..
LATER, AFTER A STERN REBUKE BY COMMISSIONER GORDON...
I HEARD GORDON DRESS YOU DOWN, BATMAN--AND NOW I'M READY! NEXT TIME WE MEET--IT'LL BE CURTAINS FOR YOU!
HE'S GOING TO SHOOT YOU, BATMAN--AND HE'LL GET AWAY WITH IT! GORDON WILL SURELY BELIEVE IT WAS AN ACCIDENT.
I'VE GOT TO MOVE FIRST--FIND SOME WAY I CAN STOP HIM.
A FEW NIGHTS LATER...
BRUCE--WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN? I WAS GETTING WORRIED.
NO TIME TO EXPLAIN NOW! THE BAT-SIGNAL IS FLASHING--AND I'M GOING TO ANSWER THIS ONE MYSELF! MEET YOU AT HEADQUARTERS LATER...
THEN, AS DEADSHOT AND BATMAN ARE ORDERED TO A WATERFRONT HOLD-UP NEAR GOTHAM BRIDGE...
NOTHING HERE--LOOKS LIKE WE CAME OUT ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE...
HA, HA--JUST PERFECT FOR YOUR MURDER, BATMAN! NO ONE TO SEE ME MISS FOR THE FIRST TIME AND ACCIDENTALLY KILL YOU!


BUT SUDDENLY, BATMAN TURNS DEADLY COLD AND BRAZEN...
GO ON, DEADSHOT! KILL ME—IF YOU DARE! YOU'RE AFRAID! YOU NEVER SHOT TO KILL BEFORE! LOOK AT YOUR HAND SHAKE! YOU'VE LOST YOUR NERVE—YOU CAN'T SHOOT ME!
IS THAT SO! I'LL SHOW YOU WHO'S LOST HIS NERVE! THIS IS ONE TIME I'LL TAKE CAREFUL AIM!
DEADSHOT'S FINGERS TIGHTEN ON THE TRIGGER! SUDDENLY A SHOT RINGS OUT! AND THEN...
I MISSED! I MISSED! BUT HOW COULD I? SUCH AN EASY TARGET!
SURE YOU MISSED, YOU FOOL! YOUR TREMBLING HANDS ARE USELESS! YOU'RE THROUGH—FINISHED! YOU CAN THROW AWAY YOUR GUNS!
ENRAGED BY BATMAN'S TAUNTS, DEADSHOT FIRES AGAIN AND AGAIN AS THE BATTLE SWAYS ACROSS GOTHAM BRIDGE...
WHAT'S HAPPENED TO ME? I'M NOT FIRING BLANKS—I CAN SEE THE BULLETS STRIKE THE WATER! YET I CAN'T HIT BATMAN!
YOU WERE GOING TO RULE GOTHAM CITY WITH THOSE GUNS, LAWTON. HA-HA! YOU'D BE BETTER OFF WITH A WATER PISTOL!
MY GUNS! WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THEM?
AND YOU CALL YOURSELF DEADSHOT! DUDSHOT WOULD BE BETTER!
YOU CAN'T KILL ME, LAWTON! I'M COMING NOW TO ARREST YOU!
MY HANDS ARE SHAKING! MY GUNS—MY WORLD—HAS COLLAPSED!
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AND, AS **BATMAN** COOLLY TAKES HIS GUNS, LAWTON'S NERVES CRACK WIDE OPEN...

IT'S THE END OF THE ROAD, LAWTON! YOU'RE GOING TO DO A LITTLE EXPLAINING NOW--TO COMMISSIONER GORDON!

WHY NOT? I'M NO GOOD ANYMORE -- JUST A BUST--A FAILURE--A WEAKLING (SOB) WHO LOST HIS NERVE...

LATER, AFTER GORDON HAS HEARD LAWTON'S FULL CONFESSION...

IT'S FANTASTIC! BUT HOW DID YOU WORK IT--HOW DID YOU MAKE HIM A NERVOUS WRECK?

I COULDN'T GET PROOF OF ANYTHING--SO I DECIDED TO TRY PSYCHOLOGY BY DESTROYING HIS CONFIDENCE IN HIS GUNS!

"LAST NIGHT I STOLE INTO LAWTON'S HOME, AND ALTERED THE AIMING SIGHTS ON EVERY ONE OF HIS WEAPONS!"

I'LL SET THE STAGE TOMORROW BY TURNING IN A *FALSE ALARM*--AND THEN I HOPE THAT LAWTON CRACKS WHEN THESE GUNS OF HIS PROVE USELESS!

LATER, ON THE ROOF OF THE POLICE STATION...

THERE!...A FITTING END TO THIS SYMBOL OF CRIME! I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN BETTER THAN TO DOUBT YOU, **BATMAN!**

BY PLAYING US AGAINST EACH OTHER, LAWTON HAD US BOTH FOOLED FOR AWHILE. BUT NOW, HIS BULL'S-EYE IS SHATTERED FOR GOOD!

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WHAT KEEPS HIM GOIN'?
ARE YOU KIDDING?
IN A HECTIC SEASON THAT FOUND HIS TEAM RIDDLED WITH 71 INJURIES, LITTLE 5'6" PHIL RIZZUTO WAS "IRON MAN" OF YANKEES – PLAYING IN 153 GAMES!
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By BILL SCHREIBER
in "THE SHOW MUST GO ON!"
CAPTAIN TOOTSIE AND HIS FRIENDS HAVE GONE TO SEE THE COUNTY FAIR...
THERE'S ONE OF THE FARRELL SISTERS ABOUT TO BEGIN HER FAMOUS TRAPEZE ACT!
LOOK, CAPTAIN TOOTSIE - THE GUY-ROPE SNAPPED! THEY'LL FALL AND BE KILLED!
SNAP
MARGE FARRELL DESPERATELY CLUTCHES FOR THE ROPE...
HELP!
I'M GLAD I HAD THAT TOOTSIE ROLL!
WITH LIGHTNING SPEED CAPTAIN TOOTSIE DASHES OVER TO KEEP THE POLE FROM FALLING...
GO ON WITH THE SHOW - I'LL HOLD THE ROPE!
HURRAY FOR CAPTAIN TOOTSIE!
ISN'T HE TERRIFIC!
AMIDST THUNDEROUS APPLAUSE THE FARRELL SISTERS FINISH THEIR DARING ACT!
BRAVO!
HURRAY!
WONDERFUL!
TOOTSIE ROLL DID IT! THEY'RE WONDERFUL FOR QUICK ENERGY - HAVE SOME!
THANK YOU, CAPTAIN TOOTSIE - YOU'RE ALWAYS ON THE JOB - YOU SAVED OUR LIVES - WE WORK WITHOUT A SAFETY NET!
GREAT WORK, CAPTAIN TOOTSIE!
H-M-M-M-DELICIOUS!
YUMMY!
LISTEN FELLERS, GIRLS! IT'S EASY WHEN YOU HAVE THE ENERGY AND STRENGTH - BETTER EAT TOOTSIE ROLLS!
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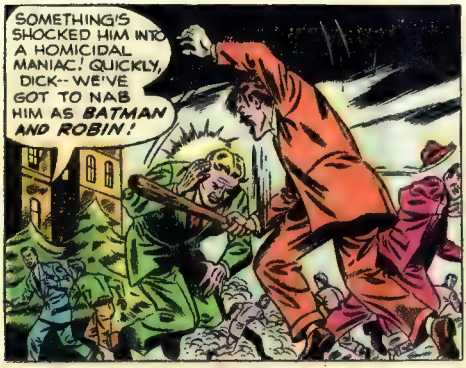
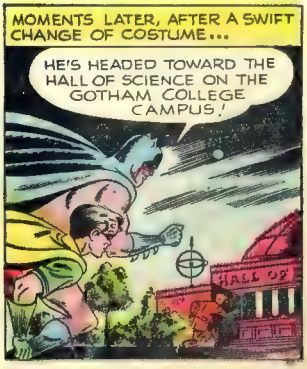
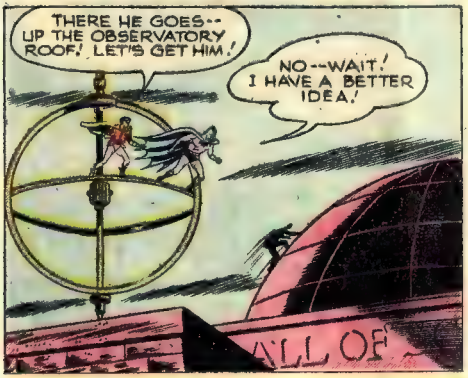
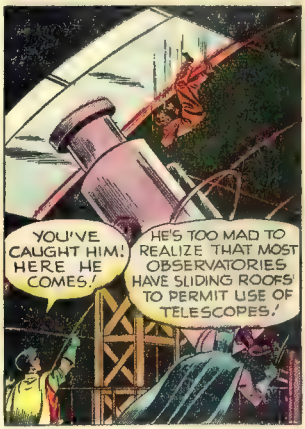
BAT
IN
-BOY WONDER-
NO MORTAL MAN IS ALLOWED TO ENTER!
TO THIS DAY, PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT CERTAIN THINGS ON EARTH ARE CURSED, TO BE LEFT UNMOLESTED LEST DOOM DESCEND ON HE WHO WOULD SCORN A GRAVE WARNING! YOU MAY LAUGH AT THIS--SCOFF AT TALES OF THE SUPERNATURAL. BUT CAN YOU REALLY BE SURE? AREN'T YOU DOING JUST A LITTLE WHISTLING IN THE DARK? FOR MANY STRANGE THINGS ARE LOCKED IN THE MYSTERY OF LIFE--THINGS THAT PUT EVEN THE GREAT BATMAN TO HIS STERNEST TEST AS HE GRIMLY FACES THE DARK UNKNOWN IN HIS VENTURE INTO...
"THE FORBIDDEN CELLAR!"
BOB KANE

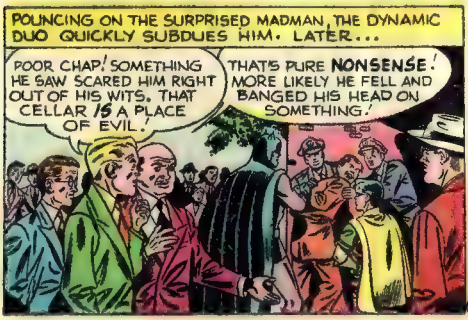
ONE MORNING, IN THE GOTHAM CITY HOME OF SOCIALITE BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS WARD, DICK GRAYSON...
SOME STORY! SO YEARS AGO THIS MILLIONAIRE HAD A VISION THAT A DEADLY EVIL LURKED IN HIS CELLAR! SO HE LOCKED IT UP, AND IT WAS NEVER ENTERED AGAIN!
AND TO THIS DAY, PEOPLE BELIEVE THERE'S SOMETHING FEARFUL DOWN THERE!
GOTHAM GAZETTE
MILLIONAIRE ECCENTRIC LEAVES HAUNTED ESTATE TO COLLEGE!
PRESS TO COOPERATE IN EXPOSING GROUNDLESS SUPERSTITIONS BY SENDING REPORTER INTO "FORBIDDEN" CELLAR!
LATER THAT DAY, BRUCE IS CALLED UPON IN HIS CAPACITY AS A MEMBER OF THE COLLEGE BOARD...
WILLIAM, COULD YOU PUT THAT PIPE AWAY? YOU KNOW HOW TOBACCO BOTHERS ME...
OH I'M DREADFULLY SORRY, PROFESSOR VINCENT... I'D FORGOTTEN ALL ABOUT IT...
GENTLEMEN, I NOW CALL THIS MEETING TO ORDER, TO DISCUSS OUR NEW BEQUEST!
WE PROPOSE TO CONVERT THE ESTATE INTO A SORELY-NEEDED LIBRARY! BUT FIRST, WE MUST CLEAR IT OF ANY SUPERSTITIONS!
YES! THAT IS WHY I HAD MY ASSISTANT, PERKINS, ARRANGE FOR A REPORTER TO EXPOSE THE HOAX TOMORROW!
NEXT DAY, AT THE NOW-FAMOUS ESTATE...
SHE'S OPEN, MR. EAST--ANYTIME YOU'RE READY..
I'M READY NOW! HERE I GO, INTO THE HAUNTED CELLAR! HA, HA!
WHILE WE'RE WAITING FOR REPORTER EAST... PROF. VINCENT--AS A SCIENTIST, WHAT IS YOUR REACTION!
WHY, IT'S PREPOSTEROUS THAT WE MUST GO THROUGH ALL THIS TO EXPOSE A SILLY SUPERSTITION!
THEN, AFTER THE SECONDS HAVE SLOWLY TICKED OFF, EAST SUDDENLY REAPPEARS!
LOOK! (GASP) HE'S GONE MAD!
WHAT DID HE SEE DOWN THERE THAT TURNED HIM INTO THIS?
BE CAREFUL! HE'S DANGEROUS!

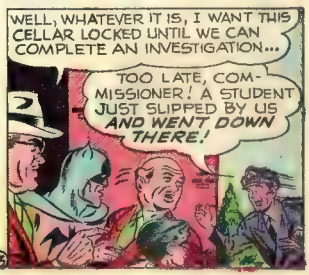

SOMETHING'S SHOCKED HIM INTO A HOMICIDAL MANIAC! QUICKLY, DICK--WE'VE GOT TO NAB HIM AS BATMAN AND ROBIN!


MOMENTS LATER, AFTER A SWIFT CHANGE OF COSTUME...
HE'S HEADED TOWARD THE HALL OF SCIENCE ON THE GOTHAM COLLEGE CAMPUS!


THERE HE GOES--UP THE OBSERVATORY ROOF! LET'S GET HIM!
NO--WAIT! I HAVE A BETTER IDEA!

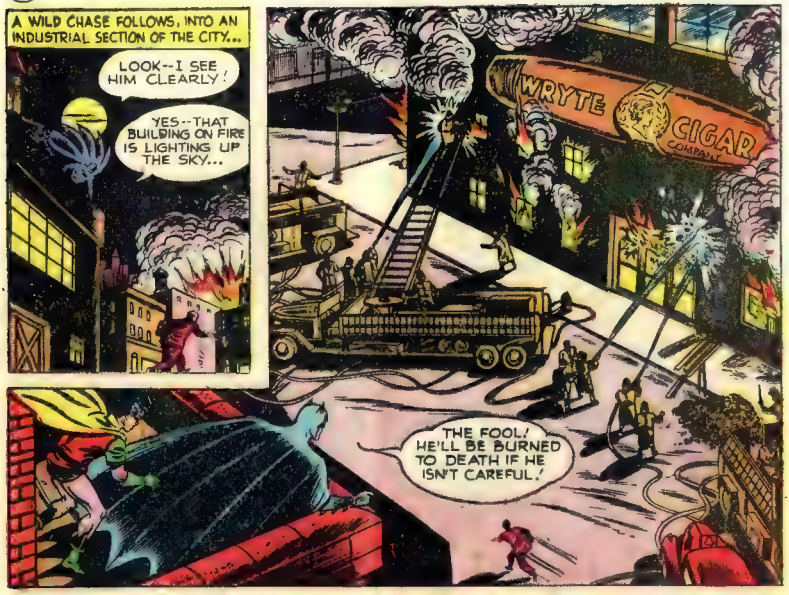

YOU'VE CAUGHT HIM! HERE HE COMES!
HE'S TOO MAD TO REALIZE THAT MOST OBSERVATORIES HAVE SLIDING ROOFS TO PERMIT USE OF TELESCOPES!


POUNCING ON THE SURPRISED MADMAN, THE DYNAMIC DUO QUICKLY SUBDUES HIM. LATER...
POOR CHAP! SOMETHING HE SAW SCARED HIM RIGHT OUT OF HIS WITS. THAT CELLAR IS A PLACE OF EVIL!
THAT'S PURE NONSENSE! MORE LIKELY HE FELL AND BANGED HIS HEAD ON SOMETHING!

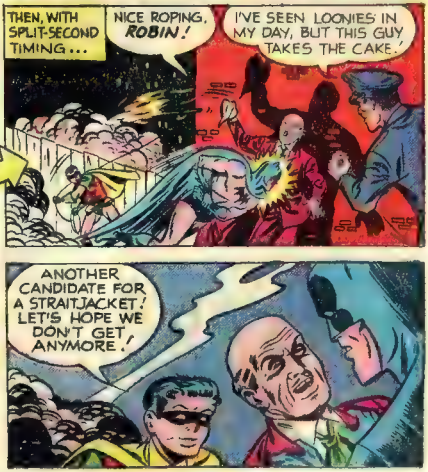

WELL, WHATEVER IT IS, I WANT THIS CELLAR LOCKED UNTIL WE CAN COMPLETE AN INVESTIGATION...
TOO LATE, COMMISSIONER! A STUDENT JUST SLIPPED BY US AND WENT DOWN THERE!

AND, AS A BREATHLESS THRONG WATCHES...
HE'S SEEN IT, TOO! LOOK--HE'S BECOME A MANIAC!
PERKINS--IT'S LAIT--ONE OF OUR HONOR STUDENTS! THIS IS MY FAULT!
CAREFUL! HE'S GOT A KNIFE!
ABRUPTLY, THE MAD STUDENT RUSHES INTO THE HOUSE AS BATMAN AND ROBIN GIVE INSTANT CHASE!
THERE HE GOES INTO THAT HALL--AND HE'S SEEN US!
YOU'LL NEVER CATCH ME--I'LL KILL YOU FIRST! HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA!
THEN, AS A GRIM HUNT FOLLOWS, THROUGH INTRICATE HALLS AND PASSAGEWAYS...
HA-HA-HA! I KNEW I COULD FOOL THEM!
SUDDENLY...
I'M GLAD I GOT IN THE HABIT OF ALWAYS WEARING TWO UNIFORMS! IT COMES IN MIGHTY HANDY!
YES--AND IT'S GOOD KNIGHT FOR OUR FRIEND HERE!
CLANK!
LAIT, MY POOR BOY! WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO YOU?
THE HOUSE IS EVIL! I SAY--BURN IT TO THE GROUND!
I WANT ALL OF YOU GENTLEMEN AT MY OFFICE THIS EVENING--WE MUST DO SOMETHING QUICKLY!
WHAT CAN IT BE, BATMAN? IT'S--IT'S ALMOST UNCANNY!
I DON'T KNOW YET, ROBIN! BUT WE MUST DO EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO FIND OUT QUICKLY! THERE MUST BE SOME EXPLANATION!

THAT NIGHT, AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS...
BATMAN'S TESTIFYING IN NIGHT COURT. AS SOON AS HE, PERKINS AND VINCENT ARRIVE, WE CAN BEGIN...
COMMISSIONER! PERKINS JUST PHONED! VINCENT HAS IGNORED HIS PLEAS AND IS PREPARING TO GO DOWN THE CELLAR
MINUTES LATER, AT THE ESTATE..
THE PROFESSOR SUDDENLY SLUGGED ME... :GROAN:
I TRIED TO STOP HIM! BUT HE FELT GUILTY! SAID ALL THIS WAS HIS FAULT--THAT IT WAS UP TO HIM TO SOLVE
SUDDENLY...
IT'S VINCENT, ALL RIGHT--AND HIS VOICE SOUNDS HARDLY HUMAN!
I WISH NOW I HADN'T SENT BATMAN TO COURT...
AAH
A SPINE-FREEZING MOMENT LATER...
THAT TERRIBLE THING--IN THE CELLAR--WHATEVER IT IS--HAS NOW CLAIMED PROFESSOR VINCENT, TOO!
WE'VE GOT TO GET THAT GUN!
THE DEAN--HE'S BEEN HIT BADLY!
TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE DIVERSION, VINCENT FLEES INTO DARKNESS--EVEN AS THE DYNAMIC DUO RUSHES UP!
IT'S VINCENT, BATMAN--MAD LIKE THE OTHERS! HE FLED THAT WAY!
COME ON, ROBIN!


A WILD CHASE FOLLOWS, INTO AN INDUSTRIAL SECTION OF THE CITY...
LOOK--I SEE HIM CLEARLY!
YES--THAT BUILDING ON FIRE IS LIGHTING UP THE SKY...
WRYTE CIGAR COMPANY
THE FOOL! HE'LL BE BURNED TO DEATH IF HE ISN'T CAREFUL!

WATCH HIM--HE'S GRABBED A FIREBRAND! LUCKY HE FOUND THAT RAG, ELSE HIS HAND WOULD BURN OFF.


THEN, WITH SPLIT-SECOND TIMING...
NICE ROPING, ROBIN!
I'VE SEEN LOONIES IN MY DAY, BUT THIS GUY TAKES THE CAKE.
ANOTHER CANDIDATE FOR A STRAITJACKET! LET'S HOPE WE DON'T GET ANYMORE!

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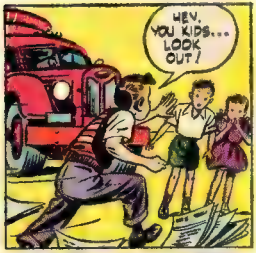

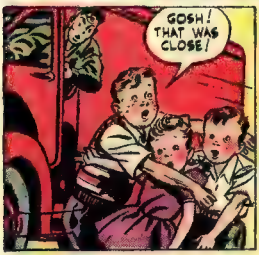

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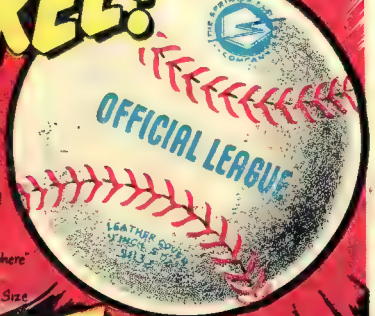

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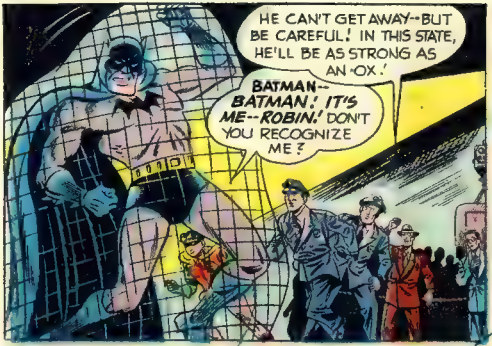
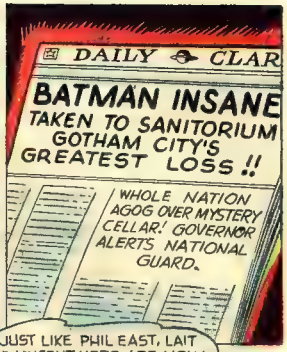
THAT'S JUST WHAT WE CAME TO SPEAK TO YOU ABOUT...
LATER, WHEN IMPATIENT NEWSMEN CROWD INTO COMMISSIONER GORDON'S OFFICE...
COMMISSIONER--MILLIONS OF READERS ARE WAITING TO LEARN WHAT YOU INTEND TO DO ABOUT THAT CURSED CELLAR!
WE'VE REACHED A DECISION! BATMAN IS GOING DOWN THERE HIMSELF!
WOW! WHAT A YARN!
DAILY GOTHAM CLAR
BATMAN TO INVESTIGATE CELLAR
INTREPID LAWMAN RISKS CAREER TO LEARN THE SECRET WHICH HAS DRIVEN THREE MEN MAD!
AND THAT AFTERNOON...
THIS TIME WE'RE TAKING NO CHANCES! IF BATMAN GOES MAD--AND I PRAY HE DOESN'T--THAT NET WILL BE DROPPED ON HIM IMMEDIATELY!
WISH ME LUCK...
DEATH-LIKE SILENCE GRIPS THE CROWD AS BATMAN DESCENDS INTO THE CELLAR! THEN, AS MINUTES AGONIZINGLY PASS...
HE'S BEEN DOWN LONGER THAN ANY OF THE OTHERS! MAYBE HE'S BEATEN WHATEVER'S THERE!
BUT, SUDDENLY...
DROP THAT NET!
BATMAN! NO--NO!
BATMAN'S GONE, MAD!


HE CAN'T GET AWAY--BUT BE CAREFUL! IN THIS STATE, HE'LL BE AS STRONG AS AN OX!
BATMAN--BATMAN! IT'S ME--ROBIN! DON'T YOU RECOGNIZE ME?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BATMAN INSANE
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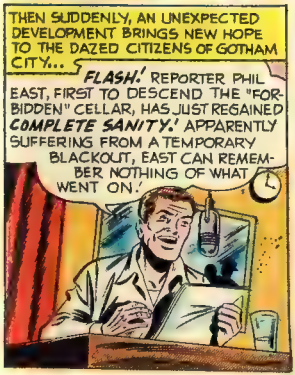
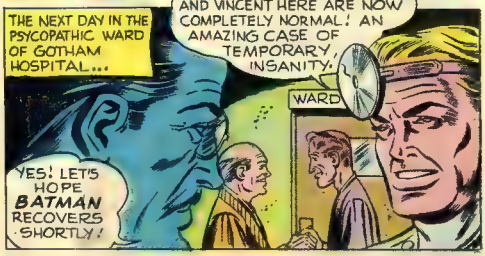
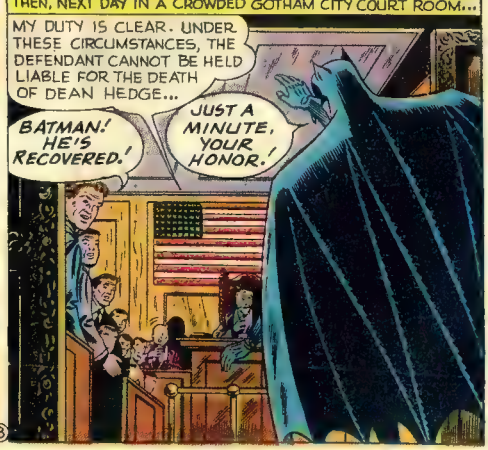
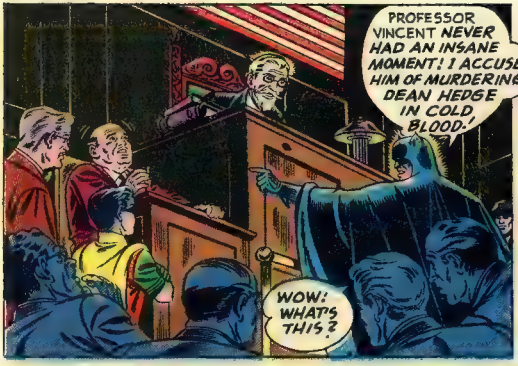
GOTHAM CITY'S GREATEST LOSS !!
WHOLE NATION AGOG OVER MYSTERY CELLAR! GOVERNOR ALERTS NATIONAL GUARD.


THEN SUDDENLY, AN UNEXPECTED DEVELOPMENT BRINGS NEW HOPE TO THE DAZED CITIZENS OF GOTHAM CITY...
FLASH! REPORTER PHIL EAST, FIRST TO DESCEND THE "FORBIDDEN" CELLAR, HAS JUST REGAINED COMPLETE SANITY! APPARENTLY SUFFERING FROM A TEMPORARY BLACKOUT, EAST CAN REMEMBER NOTHING OF WHAT WENT ON!


THE NEXT DAY IN THE PSYCOPATHIC WARD OF GOTHAM HOSPITAL...
JUST LIKE PHIL EAST, LAIT AND VINCENT HERE ARE NOW COMPLETELY NORMAL! AN AMAZING CASE OF TEMPORARY INSANITY.
WARD
YES! LET'S HOPE BATMAN RECOVERS SHORTLY!

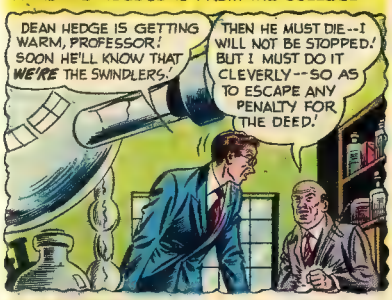
OF COURSE, PROFESSOR, YOU FACE A TECHNICAL HOMICIDE CHARGE. BUT IT WILL BE A MERE FORMALITY--YOU CAN'T BE CONVICTED FOR SOMETHING YOU DID IN AN INSANE STATE.
HOW MAD CAN A PERSON BE TO KILL HIS BEST FRIEND!


THEN, NEXT DAY IN A CROWDED GOTHAM CITY COURT ROOM...
MY DUTY IS CLEAR. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE DEFENDANT CANNOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR THE DEATH OF DEAN HEDGE...
BATMAN! HE'S RECOVERED!
JUST A MINUTE, YOUR HONOR!

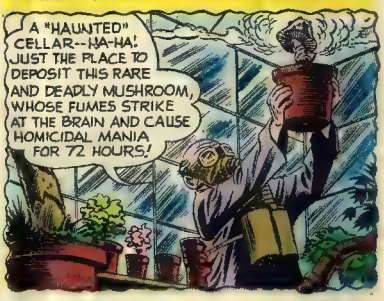


BATMAN--ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? DO YOU REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF WHAT YOU HAVE JUST SAID?
DON'T WORRY, JUDGE! I, TOO, NEVER HAD AN INSANE MOMENT! AND I CAN PROVE VINCENT'S GUILT!

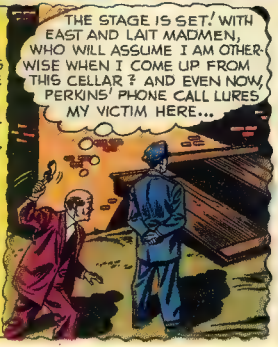
BATMAN'S STORY: "TO START AT THE BEGINNING, VINCENT AND HIS ASSISTANT, PERKINS, HAD BEEN SWINDLING HUGE SUMS FROM THE COLLEGE..."

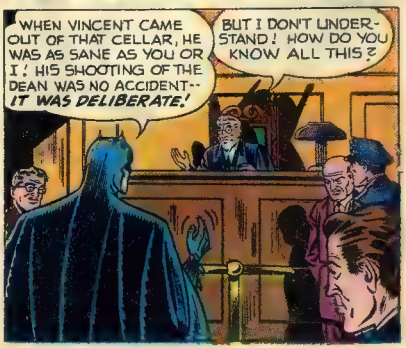

DEAN HEDGE IS GETTING WARM, PROFESSOR! SOON HE'LL KNOW THAT WE'RE THE SWINDLERS!
THEN HE MUST DIE--I WILL NOT BE STOPPED! BUT I MUST DO IT CLEVERLY--SO AS TO ESCAPE ANY PENALTY FOR THE DEED!

"THE BEQUEST OF THE 'HAUNTED' CELLAR WAS A BREAK THAT FITTED IN PERFECTLY WITH VINCENT'S FIENDISH SCIENTIFIC IMAGINATION..."


A "HAUNTED" CELLAR--HA-HA! JUST THE PLACE TO DEPOSIT THIS RARE AND DEADLY MUSHROOM, WHOSE FUMES STRIKE AT THE BRAIN AND CAUSE HOMICIDAL MANIA FOR 72 HOURS!

"IF YOU REMEMBER, VINCENT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE NEWSPAPER ASSIGNMENT GIVEN EAST. VINCENT ALSO TRICKED LAIT INTO GOING DOWN THE CELLAR, AND THEN..."


THE STAGE IS SET! WITH EAST AND LAIT MADMEN, WHO WILL ASSUME I AM OTHERWISE WHEN I COME UP FROM THIS CELLAR? AND EVEN NOW, PERKINS' PHONE CALL LURES MY VICTIM HERE...


WHEN VINCENT CAME OUT OF THAT CELLAR, HE WAS AS SANE AS YOU OR I; HIS SHOOTING OF THE DEAN WAS NO ACCIDENT--IT WAS DELIBERATE!
BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND! HOW DO YOU KNOW ALL THIS?

BATMAN'S STORY CONTINUES: "MY SUSPICIONS WERE FIRST AROUSED THE NIGHT WE CHASED VINCENT AFTER THE MURDER. HIS BEHAVIOR PATTERN WAS OFF-KEY..."
THAT'S STRANGE! HE HAD SENSE ENOUGH TO PROTECT HIS HAND, USING THAT RAG! THAT SHOWS REASONING--AND A MAD-MAN CANNOT REASON!
"BUT THERE WAS SOMETHING ELSE--EVEN MORE IMPORTANT! FOR A MAN ALLERGIC TO TOBACCO SMOKE, VINCENT WAS SINGULARLY UNAFFECTED BY A WHOLE FACTORY OF CIGARS ON FIRE!"
FILTERS IN HIS NOSTRILS! THAT EXPLAINS WHY HE ISN'T SNEEZING! BUT--WHY FILTERS? UNLESS--THAT'S IT! TO GUARD AGAINST WHATEVER WAS IN THAT CELLAR!
"TO CONFIRM MY SUSPICIONS, I WENT INTO THE CELLAR AFTER ASSURING COMMISSIONER GORDON THAT SIMILAR NOSE-FILTERS WOULD PROTECT ME, TOO!"
SO THERE'S THE VILLAIN--A MUSHROOM, PROBABLY POISONOUS. I'LL JUST KILL ITS FUMES AND TAKE IT TO THE CRIME LAB FOR ANALYSIS...
AN EXAMINATION OF THE MUSHROOM REVEALED ITS STRANGE AND LETHAL POWERS. THE REST, FINDING THE MOTIVE FOR THE MURDER, WAS JUST A RESULT OF ROUTINE POLICE WORK.
INCREDIBLE! BUT ONE THING MORE--HAVING LEARNED THE SECRET OF THE MUSHROOM, WHY DID YOU, TOO, PRETEND TO BE MAD?
FOR GOOD REASONS! WE KNEW PERKINS WOULD BE WATCHING WHEN I CAME OUT OF THAT CELLAR. WE HAD TO KEEP HIM AND VINCENT OFF-GUARD UNTIL FINAL PROOF COULD BE HAD!
AND LATER, IN THE BATCAVE TROPHY ROOM...
IT WAS A DEVILISH SCHEME, ALL RIGHT--FEIGNING INSANITY, THEN COMMITTING MURDER!
BUT VINCENT WAS CRAZY--TO THINK THAT HE COULD GET AWAY WITH IT!
POISON MUSHROOM IN THE VINCENT MURDER CASE
THE END

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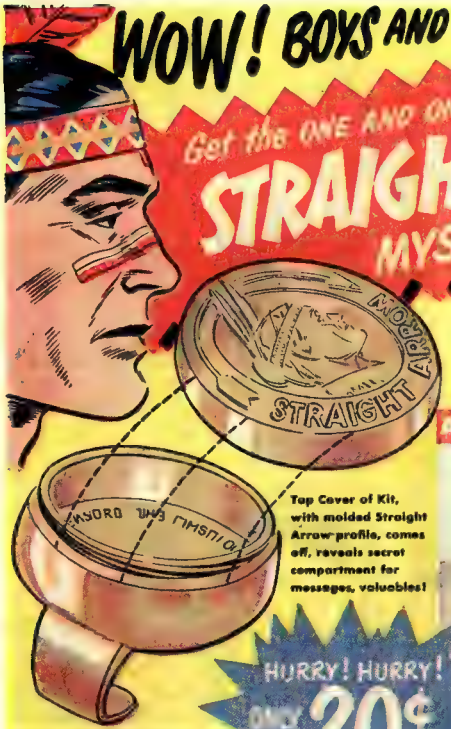

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OH, CASEY--
BLAH-BLAH-
OH, THERE IT IS! I'VE BEEN LOOKING ALL OVER FOR THAT CUTE LITTLE SUIT I HAD MADE FOR JUNIOR!
THE END

IN ancient times, before Man began to acquire possessions, he had no lock on his door because there was no need for locks.

Gradually, however, as Man accumulated wealth and property, he found it necessary to protect his gains. And that is how locks came to be.

But just when locks were first used cannot be exactly determined as the details concerning their first invention and use are entirely lost.

The oldest known lock was discovered in ruins of ancient Babylonia and is thought to be at least 4,000 years old. Until this time, primitive peoples probably fastened their doors by sliding a wooden bar into a staple at the side of the door.

The Egyptian solution to their security problem was to house several pins or "tumblers" inside the staple. When the bolt was shot to its full length, the tumblers dropped into corresponding holes bored in the bolt, barricading its movement. The key was a straight piece of wood, having on one end pegs placed in positions corresponding to the tumblers.

The Egyptian lockmakers were so skillful that they were in great demand throughout the ancient empires. The type of lock that was found in Ninevah, in ancient Babylonia, is even mentioned in the Bible as being used in "the house of David."

The Greeks developed a method of opening a bolt from the opposite side of the door. But, unfortunately, the Greek lock required the most cumbersome and yet picturesque key ever developed. It was in shape and size much like a reaper's sickle. These keys were carried crooked over the shoulder and must have been extremely inconvenient.

It is among the Romans that the fullest variety of locks became known. The Romans made a wide use of padlocks, in addition to their numerous other designs for locks and keys. The simple padlock mechanism was a favorite among all Mediterranean and Eastern peoples, especially the Chinese. Generally, the small simple key was designed to fit on the finger of a ring and was often used on its reverse end as a signet. It was particularly suited for the women of the day to lock their vanity cases!

In 64 A.D., the great volcano at Vesuvius erupted and buried the city of Pompeii. In one house, which is thought to be that of a locksmith, excavators saw how far the art of the locksmith and metalworker had advanced.

In the Middle Ages, locksmiths tried in

every way to improve on the security of locks and keys, but they failed to make any real change in design or efficiency. Instead, they depended on intricate devices to baffle thieves. One royal chest was curiously, if cruelly, designed.

The lock itself was easy enough to crack. The thief, opening the lid of the chest, discovered an empty tray pierced with several holes through which it was natural to thrust his fingers in order to lift this last obstacle. Without warning, a spring snapped shut on the fingers and he was trapped, fastened to the chest (which was secured to the floor) and unable to escape without leaving several fingers behind!

Another determined locksmith built a chest which shot a pistol straight at anyone tampering with the lock, though the rightful owner could disengage the mechanism by turning the proper knob.

And so it went through the centuries. Locks were made beautiful but no more efficient. They were, of course, handmade and therefore expensive. And thievery went on at a great rate.

While other designers were amusing themselves with trick locks, Robert Barron, an Englishman, invented in 1778 a lever tumbler lock that was infinitely harder to pick.

Almost at once another Englishman, Joseph Bramah, used many of the same principles in a lock; and for many years it was believed that the English locks had finally solved the problem of security against theft.

At the London Exhibition in 1851, an American lockmaker, Hobbs, announced that he could pick all the best English locks made. On being challenged, he picked them all, to the great astonishment of their makers! The English, on the other hand, were unable to touch Hobbs' own lock. However, Hobbs' lock was so complicated and expensive that it was entirely impractical for use except on banks.

The effect of this affair, which received great notoriety in the newspapers, was an attempt by locksmiths to improve existing locks in order to put the public's mind at rest.

Soon after, there appeared in this country the Infallible Bank Lock and the Magic Bank Lock, whose names alone were intended to inspire confidence. The inventor of these two locks, Linus Yale, Jr., was a brilliant young locksmith, son of one of America's leading bank lock manufacturers.

Linus Yale, Jr., was never associated with his father in the lock manufacturing business, having started out in life to be a portrait painter and only later developing his great mechanical gifts. But within a few years he created a total change in the structure and manufacture of three separate types of locks—bank locks, door and cabinet locks, and post office locks.

Toward the end of the 19th century, various patents and improvements yielded the now well-known Pin-Tumbler Cylinder Lock by Yale.

Of course a lock need be no stronger than the material to which it is attached. Weber and Fields, the famous vaudeville comedians, had an act which illustrated this point.

They appeared on the stage as burglars, bearing a satchel of tools, and set to work on a heavy safe with a steel door and a combination lock. They tried to work the combination and they tried to break it; they tried to pry the door off and they tried to blow it open with nitroglycerin. Having failed with all these methods, they turned the safe around in a rage and kicked open the back!

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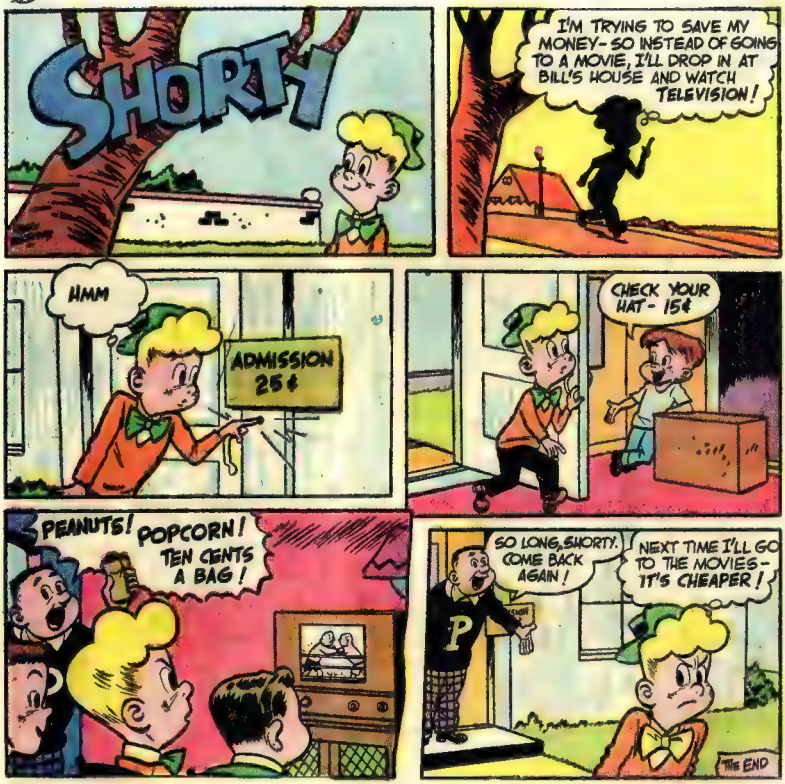
SHORTY
I'M TRYING TO SAVE MY MONEY- SO INSTEAD OF GOING TO A MOVIE, I'LL DROP IN AT BILL'S HOUSE AND WATCH TELEVISION!
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SO LONG, SHORTY. COME BACK AGAIN!
NEXT TIME I'LL GO TO THE MOVIES- IT'S CHEAPER!
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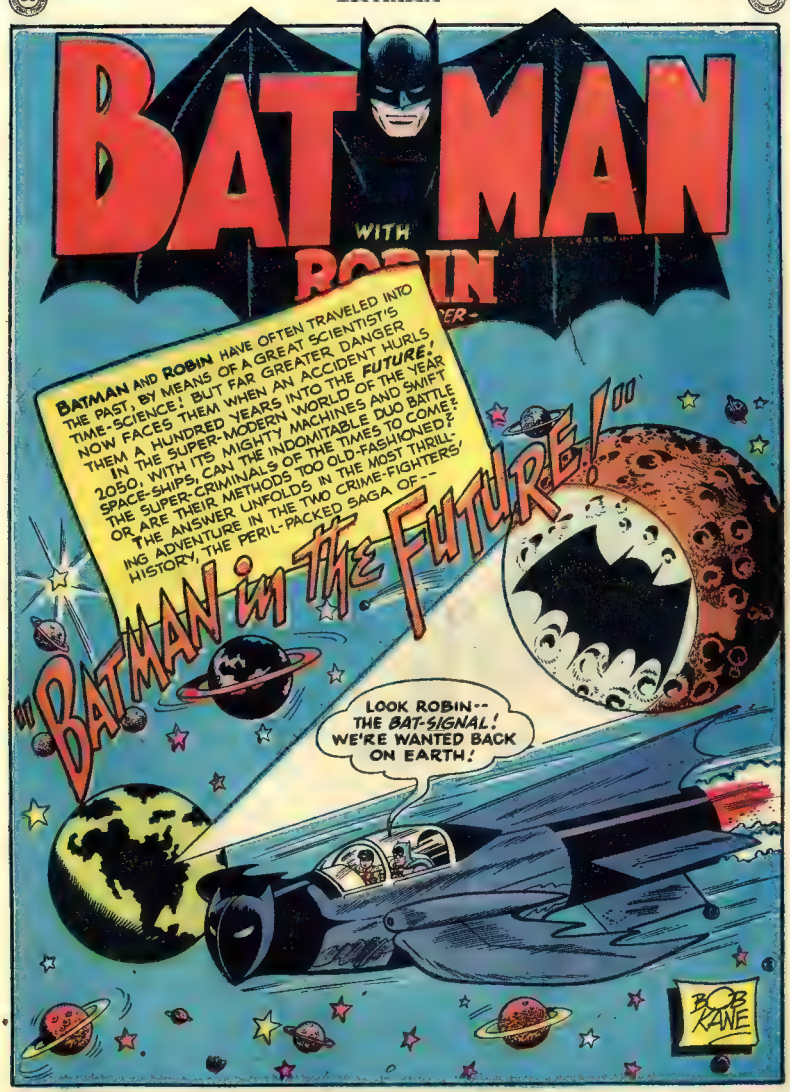
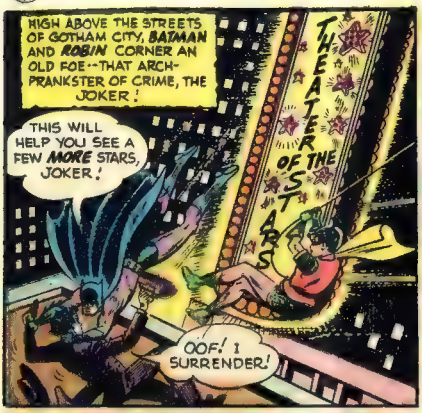
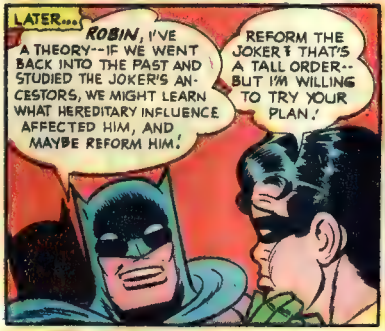
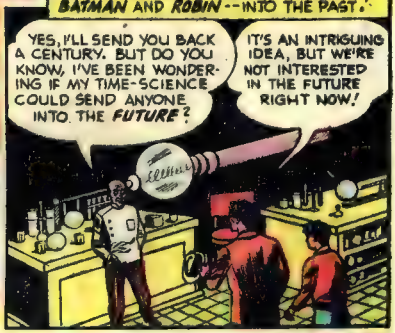

BATMAN
WITH
ROBIN
BATMAN AND ROBIN HAVE OFTEN TRAVELED INTO THE PAST, BY MEANS OF A GREAT SCIENTIST'S TIME-SCIENCE! BUT FAR GREATER DANGER NOW FACES THEM WHEN AN ACCIDENT HURLS THEM A HUNDRED YEARS INTO THE FUTURE! IN THE SUPER-MODERN WORLD OF THE YEAR 2050, WITH ITS MIGHTY MACHINES AND SWIFT SPACE-SHIPS, CAN THE INDOMITABLE DUO BATTLE THE SUPER-CRIMINALS OF THE TIMES TO COME? OR ARE THEIR METHODS TOO OLD-FASHIONED? THE ANSWER UNFOLDS IN THE MOST THRILLING ADVENTURE IN THE TWO CRIME-FIGHTERS' HISTORY, THE PERIL-PACKED SAGA OF--
"BATMAN in the FUTURE!"
LOOK ROBIN-- THE BAT-SIGNAL! WE'RE WANTED BACK ON EARTH!
BOB KANE

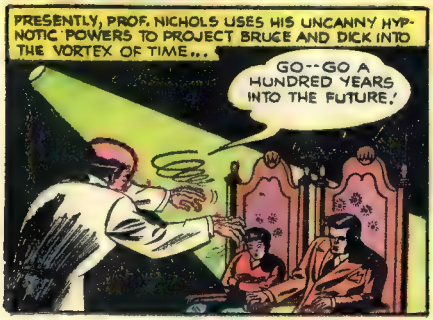

HIGH ABOVE THE STREETS OF GOTHAM CITY, BATMAN AND ROBIN CORNER AN OLD FOE--THAT ARCH-PRANKSTER OF CRIME, THE JOKER!
THIS WILL HELP YOU SEE A FEW MORE STARS, JOKER!
THEATER OF THE STARS
OOF! I SURRENDER!

SOON... JOKER, WHY DO YOU PERSIST IN USING YOUR TALENTS TO COMMIT CRAZY, HUMOROUS CRIMES?
I GUESS I INHERITED THAT FROM MY ANCESTORS A CENTURY AGO--THEY WERE FAMOUS CLOWNS!

PROFESSOR CARTER NICHOLS' TIME-SCIENCE HAS OFTEN SENT HIS FRIENDS BRUCE WAYNE AND DICK GRAYSON--WHO ARE SECRETLY BATMAN AND ROBIN--INTO THE PAST!

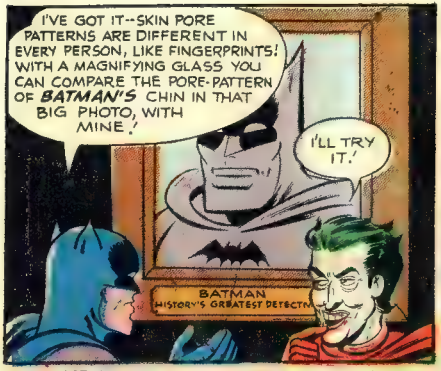

LATER...
ROBIN, I'VE A THEORY--IF WE WENT BACK INTO THE PAST AND STUDIED THE JOKER'S ANCESTORS, WE MIGHT LEARN WHAT HEREDITARY INFLUENCE AFFECTED HIM, AND MAYBE REFORM HIM!
REFORM THE JOKER? THAT'S A TALL ORDER--BUT I'M WILLING TO TRY YOUR PLAN!

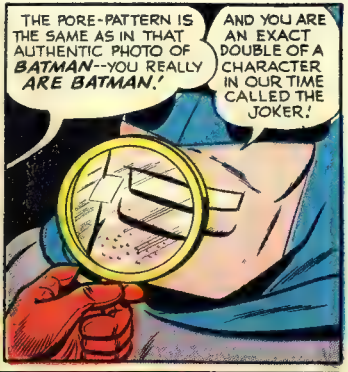

YES, I'LL SEND YOU BACK A CENTURY. BUT DO YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN WONDERING IF MY TIME-SCIENCE COULD SEND ANYONE INTO THE FUTURE?
IT'S AN INTRIGUING IDEA, BUT WE'RE NOT INTERESTED IN THE FUTURE RIGHT NOW!


PRESENTLY, PROF. NICHOLS USES HIS UNCANNY HYPNOTIC POWERS TO PROJECT BRUCE AND DICK INTO THE VORTEX OF TIME...
GO--GO A HUNDRED YEARS INTO THE FUTURE!

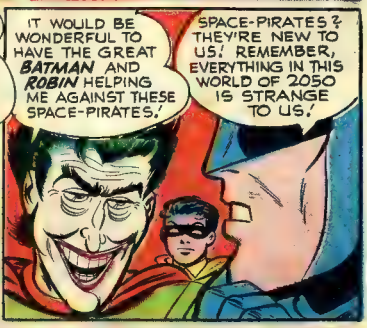
GOOD GRIEF! I WAS THINKING SO MUCH OF THE FUTURE THAT I SAID "FUTURE" INSTEAD OF "PAST"! I'VE SENT THEM A HUNDRED YEARS AHEAD IN TIME, INSTEAD OF BACK!

AND WHEN BRUCE AND DICK COME OUT OF THEIR TIME-BLACKOUT...
SEE THE DATE ON THAT NEWS BULLETIN--2050! NICHOLS MADE A GHASTLY MISTAKE AND PROJECTED US INTO THE FUTURE!
WHAT'S THIS? THIS ISN'T GOTHAM CITY OF 1850! AND THAT'S A SPACE SHIP TAKING OFF!
2050 A.D.
SECONDS LATER, THEY SIGHT A FAMILIAR FACE--EVEN IN THIS WORLD OF TOMORROW...
HELP!
THE JOKER--IN THIS FUTURE TIME!
AND UP TO HIS OLD TRICKS! QUICK! WE'LL SWITCH TO BATMAN AND ROBIN AND STOP HIS GAME!
A QUICK SHIFT OF COSTUME IN A DOORWAY, AND...
WHAT IS THIS? OFFICERS! ARREST THESE MASKED MEN!
NO YOU DON'T, JOKER!
AS POLICE SWIFTLY APPEAR, BATMAN AND ROBIN GET A STUNNING SURPRISE!
WE SAW THESE TWO THUGS GRABBING YOU, CHIEF ROKEJ!
THEY PREVENTED MY CAPTURING THE SPACE-PIRATE ZARRO--ARREST THEM!
GOOD GRIEF! THIS ISN'T THE JOKER BUT A DESCENDANT WHO'S HIS DOUBLE--AND IN THIS TIME HE'S POLICE CHIEF!
AT THE GOTHAM CITY POLICE HEADQUARTERS OF THE YEAR 2050!
LOCK THEM UP!
IT'S CRAZY--IN THIS WORLD OF THE FUTURE, IT'S THE JOKER WHO IS JAILING US!
WAIT, WE'RE NOT CRIMINALS! WE CAME FROM THE PAST--WE'RE CALLED BATMAN AND ROBIN!
POLICE
BATMAN AND ROBIN, THE GREAT CRIME-FIGHTERS OF A CENTURY AGO? IMPOSSIBLE! YOU'RE TWO CROOKS WHO PUT ON THEIR FAMOUS COSTUMES TO DECEIVE US!
NO, WE DID COME FROM THE PAST--BUT HOW CAN WE PROVE IT?


I'VE GOT IT--SKIN PORE PATTERNS ARE DIFFERENT IN EVERY PERSON, LIKE FINGERPRINTS! WITH A MAGNIFYING GLASS YOU CAN COMPARE THE PORE-PATTERN OF BATMAN'S CHIN IN THAT BIG PHOTO, WITH MINE!
I'LL TRY IT.'
BATMAN
HISTORY'S GREATEST DETECTIV


THE PORE-PATTERN IS THE SAME AS IN THAT AUTHENTIC PHOTO OF BATMAN--YOU REALLY ARE BATMAN!
AND YOU ARE AN EXACT DOUBLE OF A CHARACTER IN OUR TIME CALLED THE JOKER!

THE JOKER WAS MY ANCESTOR! BUT I DECIDED TO WORK WITH THE LAW INSTEAD OF AGAINST IT, AND WORKED UP TO POLICE CHIEF!
IF WE'D ONLY KNOWN THAT, WE WOULDN'T HAVE INTERFERED AND LET ZARRO ESCAPE! WE'LL HELP YOU IN ANY WAY WE CAN, TO MAKE UP FOR OUR BLUNDER!


IT WOULD BE WONDERFUL TO HAVE THE GREAT BATMAN AND ROBIN HELPING ME AGAINST THESE SPACE-PIRATES.'
SPACE-PIRATES? THEY'RE NEW TO US! REMEMBER, EVERYTHING IN THIS WORLD OF 2050 IS STRANGE TO US!

ROKEJ EXPLAINS! "SPACE-SHIPS OF MANY DIFFERENT MAKES NOW TRAVEL BETWEEN THE SOLAR SYSTEM WORLDS!"
HERE THEY COME IN THE FINISH OF THE RACE--A COMET IS FIRST, A SHOOTING STAR SECOND, AND A LIGHTNING THIRD!
THOSE COMETS THAT JOHN MILMAN MAKES ARE THE FASTEST SHIPS IN SPACE!

"BUT RECENTLY SPACE-PIRATES HAVE BEEN PREYING HEAVILY ON THE COMET-MADE SHIPS..."
"...AND MILMAN SUSPECTS A COMPETITOR IS SABOTAGING THE COMET SHIPS AT HIS FACTORY, TO MAKE THEM EASY PREY FOR PIRATES!"

IF YOU TWO WORKED IN MILMAN'S SPACE-SHIP FACTORY AS SECRET AGENTS, YOU MIGHT FIND OUT WHO IS SABOTAGING HIS COMET SHIPS!
WE'LL DO IT!
SO BATMAN AND ROBIN BECOME WORKERS IN THE GREAT SPACE-SHIP FACTORY OF THE FUTURE!
I'M SUPERINTENDENT SMITH! I'LL HIRE YOU TWO--BUT WHY DO YOU WEAR THOSE MASKS?
THEY'RE A SAFETY PRE-CAUTION!
IN CASE SOMEONE ELSE FROM THE PAST EVER VISITS THIS TIME, WE STILL WANT OUR IDENTITIES KEPT SECRET.
THEY BECOME PART OF THE MIGHTY MOVING ASSEMBLY-LINE ON WHICH SPACE-SHIPS ARE BUILT!
THE SHIPS ARE ASSEMBLED ON THIS SLOW-MOVING CONVEYOR LINE! I'LL TRY YOU AT SEVERAL JOBS TO SEE WHICH ONE YOU'RE BEST AT!
THAT'LL TEACH US EVERY PHASE OF THE WORK!
AND WE CAN SPOT SABOTAGE BETTER THAT WAY!
ONE WEEK LATER...
WE'VE WATCHED ALL ALONG THE ASSEMBLY-LINE, WITHOUT DETECTING ANY SABOTAGE!
QUIET-- HERE COMES JOHN MILMAN HIMSELF, WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT, ENGINEER AND CHIEF TEST PILOT!
MR. MILMAN, WE JUST CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHY SO MANY COMET SHIPS FAIL IN SPACE AND BECOME PREY TO SPACE-PIRATES!
IT'S ALMOST RUINED ME! IF ONE OF MY SHIPS FAILS TO WIN THE BIG ROUND-THE-SYSTEM RACE THIS YEAR, I'LL BE FINISHED!
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I'M GOING TO INSPECT THIS NEXT SHIP THOROUGHLY FOR MYSELF-- IT'S ALMOST FINISHED!
WE'LL GET BACK TO OUR OWN JOBS, MR. MILMAN!
BATMAN ACTS INSTANTLY, AND ROCKETS THUNDER!
SUDDENLY, THE CONVEYOR-LINE SURGES FORWARD AT A RECKLESS PACE ...
SOMEONE'S SWITCHED THE CONVEYOR-LINE INTO HIGH-SPEED!
OUR SHIP WILL CRUSH MILMAN! THERE'S ONLY ONE CHANCE!
ZOOM
SMASH
THE BRAKE-ROCKETS WILL HOLD THIS SHIP AND THE ASSEMBLY-LINE BACK UNTIL YOU CAN TURN OFF THE CONVEYOR, ROBIN!
MOMENTS LATER...
THANKS, BATMAN. I'D HAVE BEEN ACCIDENTALLY KILLED, BUT FOR YOU! YOU CAN HAVE ANY REWARD!
ALL I WANT IS A CHANCE TO LEARN SPACE-PILOTING, AND TO FIT UP A SMALL EXPERIMENTAL SPACE-SHIP OF MY OWN!
AFTERWARD...
THAT WAS NO ACCIDENT! A SECRET SABOTEUR DID THAT, TO KILL JOHN MILMAN!
I KNOW--AND THAT MEANS EITHER SUPERINTENDENT SMITH, ENGINEER ERKHAM OR TEST PILOT MARTIN IS THE SABOTEUR! ONLY THOSE THREE KNEW MILMAN WAS IN FRONT OF OUR SHIP!
BUT HOW CAN WE FIND OUT WHICH ONE IS GUILTY?
I'VE AN IDEA ON THAT! SINCE MILMAN GAVE ME PERMISSION TO FIT UP AN EXPERIMENTAL SHIP AND LEARN SPACE-PILOTING, WE'LL DO THIS--

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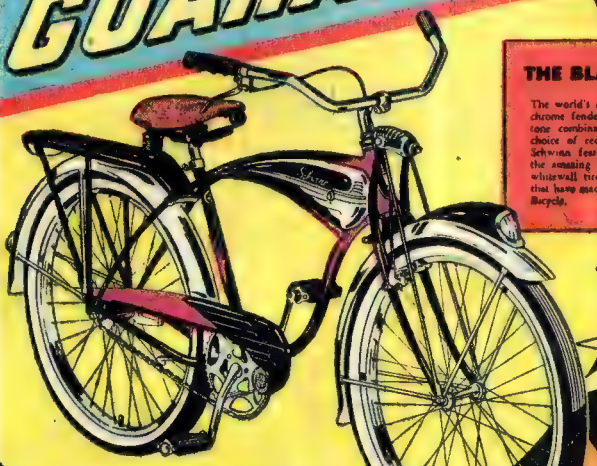

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GOSH--LOOKS LIKE THIS POOR GUY'S BEEN UNCONSCIOUS A LONG TIME.
--AND I THOUGHT I'D LOOK AROUND THIS DERELICT BEFORE RETURNING TO TOWN. THEN THE BOOM FELL ON MY LEG.
I'M SURE GLAD YOUR FLASHLIGHT HAS SUCH A POWERFUL BEAM. BET YOU FOLKS USE RAY-O-VAC BATTERIES.
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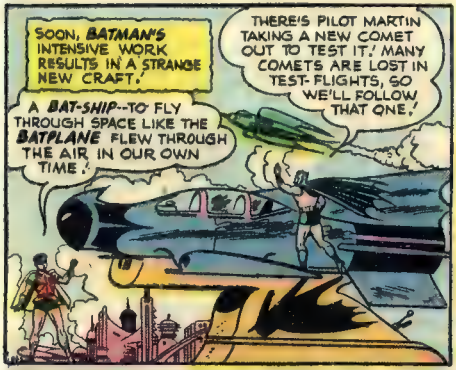
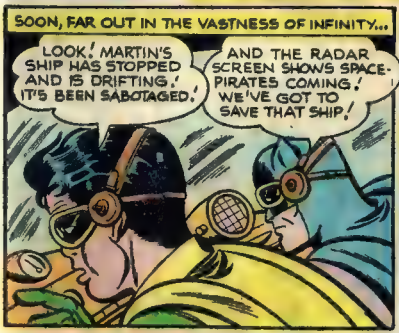
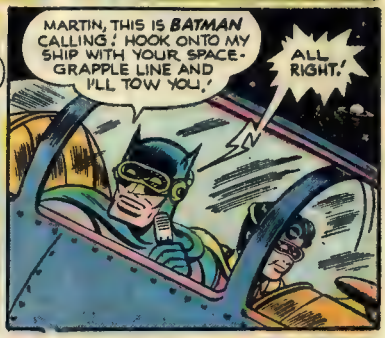
Ray-O-Vac
SEALED IN STEEL AND SUPER-INSULATED TO KEEP POWER IN AND TROUBLE OUT. GUARANTEED: A NEW FLASHLIGHT IF YOURS IS DAMAGED BY RAY-O-VAC LEAK PROOF BATTERIES.


SOON, BATMAN'S INTENSIVE WORK RESULTS IN A STRANGE NEW CRAFT.
THERE'S PILOT MARTIN TAKING A NEW COMET OUT TO TEST IT. MANY COMETS ARE LOST IN TEST-FLIGHTS, SO WE'LL FOLLOW THAT ONE.
A BAT-SHIP--TO FLY THROUGH SPACE LIKE THE BATPLANE FLEW THROUGH THE AIR IN OUR OWN TIME!

INTO THE VOID OF SPACE, BATMAN FEARLESSLY PILOTS THE INTERPLANETARY BAT-SHIP IN SECRET PURSUIT!

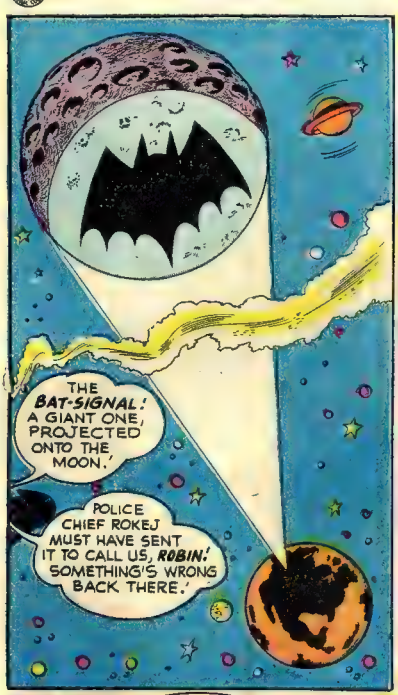

SOON, FAR OUT IN THE VASTNESS OF INFINITY...
LOOK! MARTIN'S SHIP HAS STOPPED AND IS DRIFTING. IT'S BEEN SABOTAGED!
AND THE RADAR SCREEN SHOWS SPACE-PIRATES COMING! WE'VE GOT TO SAVE THAT SHIP!

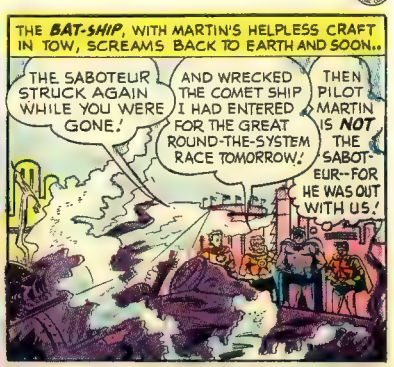

MARTIN, THIS IS BATMAN CALLING! HOOK ONTO MY SHIP WITH YOUR SPACE-GRAPPLE LINE AND I'LL TOW YOU.
ALL RIGHT.

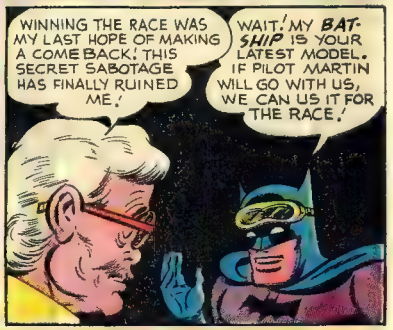
I'VE CALLED THE PLANET PATROL, BUT THE PIRATES WILL GET HERE FIRST! IF WE TOW MARTIN'S SHIP, WE CAN'T MOVE FAST ENOUGH TO ESCAPE!
MAYBE WE CAN! I BUILT A DEVICE INTO THE BAT-SHIP TO EMIT RADIOACTIVE PARTICLES OF OUR ATOMIC FUEL!

THEY'LL MAKE OUR SHIP GLOW LIKE A REAL COMET, HIDING IT AND THE SHIP WE'RE TOWING!

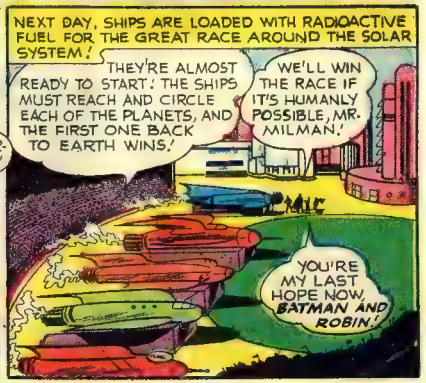
PRESENTLY, SPACE-PIRATES RACING IN FOR AN EASY CAPTURE GET A BAD SHOCK!
THE SHIP THAT WAS TO BE SABOTAGED MUST BE IN THIS SECTOR -- IT'LL BE AN EASY PREY!
LOOK, ZARRO-- AN UNCHARTED COMET, COMING RIGHT AT US! WE HAVE TO AVOID IT!
FRIGHTENED PIRATES SEEK TO ESCAPE A COMET THAT SEEMS BENT ON PURSUING THEM!
FALL BACK TOWARD MARS! WE DAREN'T LET IT GET TOO CLOSE!
IT'S AS THOUGH THAT COMET IS CHASING US! ITS ORBIT IS WILD!
THE RADAR SHOWS THE PATROL CRUISERS COMING! YOUR "COMET" HAS SCARED THE SPACE-PIRATES RIGHT INTO THEIR HANDS!
PLANET PATROL CRUISERS SWIFTLY HEM IN AND CAPTURE SCARED PIRATES!
SURRENDER, OR WE'LL BLAST YOU!
WE SURRENDER! THAT CRAZY COMET HAS RUINED OUR PLANS!
THAT MAKES UP FOR OUR LETTING ZARRO ESCAPE ON EARTH! NOW WE CAN TURN OFF MY FAKE "COMET" DEVICE --
BATMAN, LOOK! LOOK AT THE MOON!


THE BAT-SIGNAL! A GIANT ONE, PROJECTED ONTO THE MOON.'
POLICE CHIEF ROKEJ MUST HAVE SENT IT TO CALL US, ROBIN! SOMETHING'S WRONG BACK THERE.'

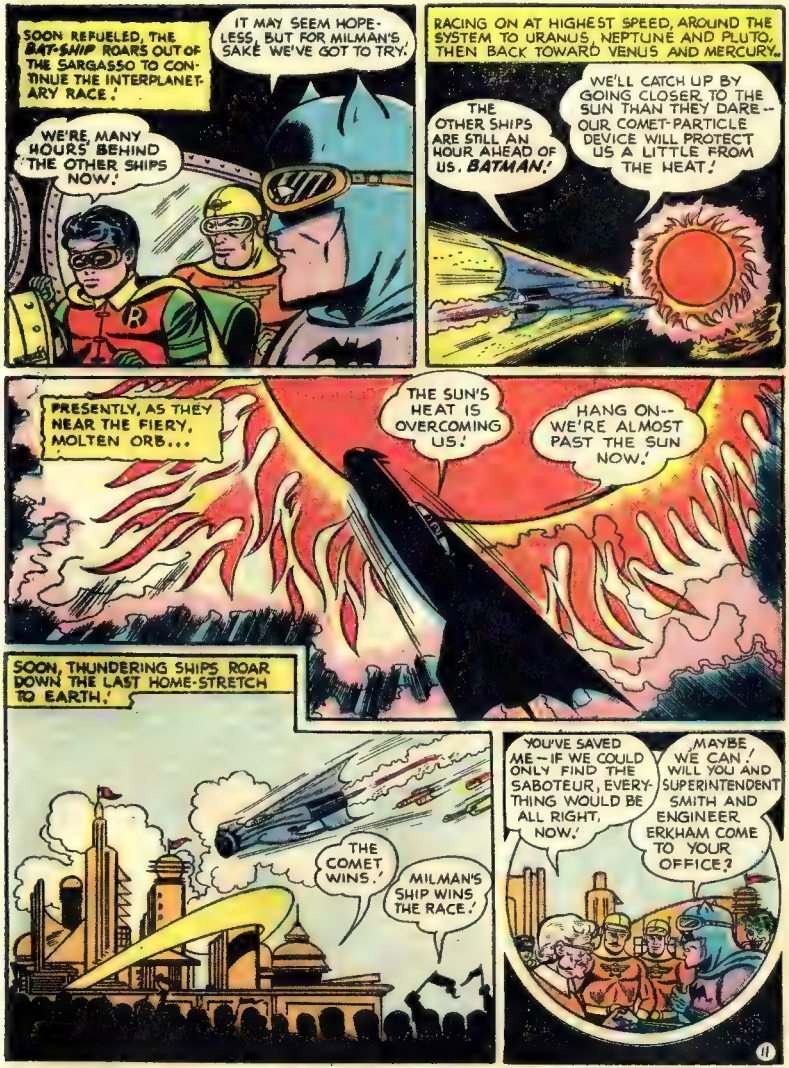

THE BAT-SHIP, WITH MARTIN'S HELPLESS CRAFT IN TOW, SCREAMS BACK TO EARTH AND SOON..
THE SABOTEUR STRUCK AGAIN WHILE YOU WERE GONE.'
AND WRECKED THE COMET SHIP I HAD ENTERED FOR THE GREAT ROUND-THE-SYSTEM RACE TOMORROW.'
THEN PILOT MARTIN IS NOT THE SABOTEUR--FOR HE WAS OUT WITH US.'


WINNING THE RACE WAS MY LAST HOPE OF MAKING A COME BACK! THIS SECRET SABOTAGE HAS FINALLY RUINED ME.'
WAIT! MY BAT-SHIP IS YOUR LATEST MODEL. IF PILOT MARTIN WILL GO WITH US, WE CAN US IT FOR THE RACE.'

AND I'LL HAVE CHIEF ENGINEER ERKHAM CHECK OVER THAT OTHER SHIP TO SEE WHY ITS MOTORS FAILED IN SPACE.'
WE'LL DO IT.'
GOOD IDEA, SUPER-INTENDENT.'


NEXT DAY, SHIPS ARE LOADED WITH RADIOACTIVE FUEL FOR THE GREAT RACE AROUND THE SOLAR SYSTEM!
THEY'RE ALMOST READY TO START! THE SHIPS MUST REACH AND CIRCLE EACH OF THE PLANETS, AND THE FIRST ONE BACK TO EARTH WINS.'
WE'LL WIN THE RACE IF IT'S HUMANLY POSSIBLE, MR. MILMAN.'
YOU'RE MY LAST HOPE NOW, BATMAN AND ROBIN!'

ROCKETS THUNDER AS THE SPACE-SHIPS TAKE OFF IN THE MIGHTIEST RACE OF ALL TIME!
THERE THEY GO--A METEOR IS LEADING!
BUT THAT QUEER LOOKING COMET IS CLOSE BEHIND!
TO MARS, TO JUPITER, AND THEN TO THE RINGED PLANET SATURN AND ON...
BATMAN, OUR MOTORS HAVE STOPPED! THE BAT-SHIP HAS BEEN SABOTAGED, TOO!
AND THE ETHER-CURRENTS ARE CARRYING US INTO THE SARGASSO SEA OF SPACE!
THE SARGASSO SEA OF SPACE--THE GRAVEYARD OF LOST SPACE-SHIPS!
WITH NO POWER, WE CAN NEVER GET OUT OF HERE!
LOOK, OUR RADIOACTIVE FUEL WAS TAKEN OUT AND ORDINARY DUST PUT INTO ALL THE SPARE TANKS!
THE SABOTEUR IN MILMAN'S FACTORY DID IT-- AND WE'RE HELPLESS!
FUEL
I HAVE AN IDEA, ROBIN. MAYBE WE CAN FIND SOME RADIOACTIVE FUEL LEFT IN SOME OF THE WRECKS HERE!
IT'LL BE A GOOD TRICK IF WE CAN DO IT!
THE INDOMITABLE ADVENTURERS FROM THE PAST HASTILY EXPLORE THE GREAT GRAVEYARD OF SPACE!
WE'VE ALREADY FOUND A GOOD BIT OF FUEL!
JUST A LITTLE MORE AND WE CAN START AGAIN!


SOON REFUELED, THE BAT-SHIP ROARS OUT OF THE SARGASSO TO CONTINUE THE INTERPLANETARY RACE!
IT MAY SEEM HOPELESS, BUT FOR MILMAN'S SAKE WE'VE GOT TO TRY!
WE'RE MANY HOURS BEHIND THE OTHER SHIPS NOW!
RACING ON AT HIGHEST SPEED, AROUND THE SYSTEM TO URANUS, NEPTUNE AND PLUTO, THEN BACK TOWARD VENUS AND MERCURY...
THE OTHER SHIPS ARE STILL AN HOUR AHEAD OF US, BATMAN!
WE'LL CATCH UP BY GOING CLOSER TO THE SUN THAN THEY DARE -- OUR COMET-PARTICLE DEVICE WILL PROTECT US A LITTLE FROM THE HEAT!
PRESENTLY, AS THEY NEAR THE FIERY, MOLTEN ORB...
THE SUN'S HEAT IS OVERCOMING US!
HANG ON -- WE'RE ALMOST PAST THE SUN NOW!
SOON, THUNDERING SHIPS ROAR DOWN THE LAST HOME-STRETCH TO EARTH!
THE COMET WINS!
MILMAN'S SHIP WINS THE RACE!
YOU'VE SAVED ME -- IF WE COULD ONLY FIND THE SABOTEUR, EVERYTHING WOULD BE ALL RIGHT, NOW!
MAYBE WE CAN! WILL YOU AND SUPERINTENDENT SMITH AND ENGINEER ERKHAM COME TO YOUR OFFICE?

THAT SABOTEUR ALMOST DOOMED US BY SECRETLY TAKING OUT OUR RADIOACTIVE FUEL AND SUBSTITUTING DUST! BUT THAT GIVES US A CLUE TO HIS IDENTITY!
SUDDENLY SWITCHING OFF THE LIGHTS, SO THAT THE ROOM IS DARK...
SEE, ENGINEER ERKHAM SHINES IN THE DARK! HE GOT RADIOACTIVE DUST ON HIM WHEN HE SECRETLY TOOK OUT OUR FUEL!
ALL RIGHT--I'LL CONFESS! YOUR COMPETITOR OF THE "METEOR" COMPANY PAID ME TO SABOTAGE COMET SHIPS.
THEN HE'LL GO TO THE MOON PRISON WITH YOU!
SOON...
YOU TWO ARE AS GREAT AS HISTORY TELLS!
BATMAN, I FEEL DIZZY--STRANGE..
NICHOLS IS DRAWING US BACK TO OUR OWN TIME! QUICK, CHANGE YOUR COSTUME BEFORE WE GO BACK!
AGAIN THE WHIRLING BLACKNESS OF A PLUNGE THROUGH TIME!
I'M SORRY I BLUNDERED AND SENT YOU INTO THE FUTURE INSTEAD OF THE PAST.
WE'RE NOT--FOR WE LEARNED PLENTY.
AND ONE THING WE LEARNED IS THAT THE JOKER WILL BE A REFORMED CHARACTER--A HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW! BUT IN THE MEANWHILE--HE'S AN OUTLAW!
THE END

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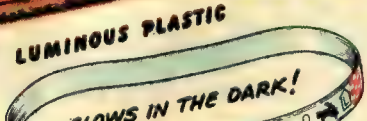

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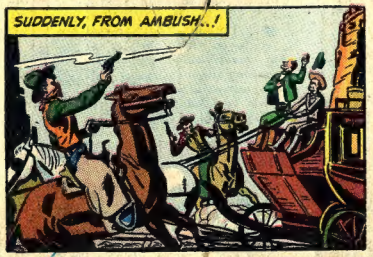
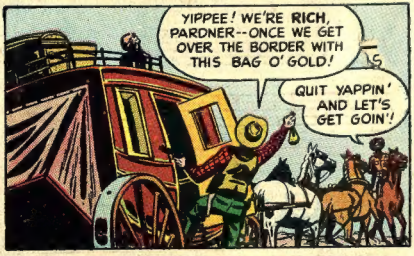
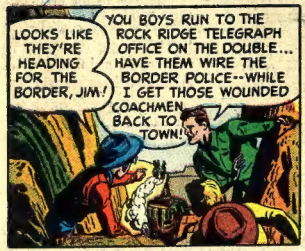
THE TOWN OF ROCK RIDGE WAS CELEBRATING ITS HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY THE DAY THE BOYS AND I WERE OUT HIKING...
LOOK AT THAT OLD STAGE-COACH GO!
IT'S ON ITS WAY TO THE PAGEANT... CARRYING A VERY VALUABLE BAG OF GOLD, TOO!






LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE HEADING FOR THE BORDER, JIM!
YOU BOYS RUN TO THE ROCK RIDGE TELEGRAPH OFFICE ON THE DOUBLE... HAVE THEM WIRE THE BORDER POLICE--WHILE I GET THOSE WOUNDED COACHMEN BACK TO TOWN!

PHEWW! THIS IS TOUGH GOING! GLAD I'M WEARING MY "P-F"'S... GLAD I TOLD THE BOYS ABOUT THEM, TOO--THEY'LL NEED SOME EXTRA SPEED AND ENERGY!

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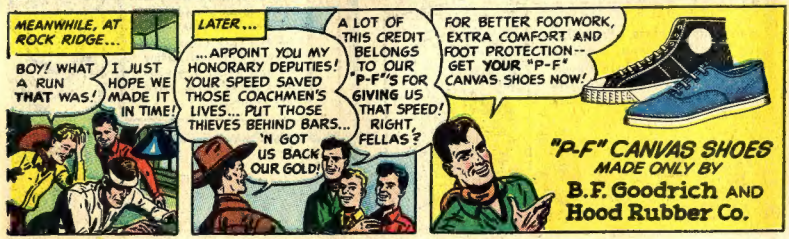
MEANWHILE, AT ROCK RIDGE...
BOY! WHAT A RUN THAT WAS!
I JUST HOPE WE MADE IT IN TIME!
LATER...
...APPOINT YOU MY HONORARY DEPUTIES! YOUR SPEED SAVED THOSE COACHMEN'S LIVES... PUT THOSE THIEVES BEHIND BARS... 'N GOT US BACK OUR GOLD!
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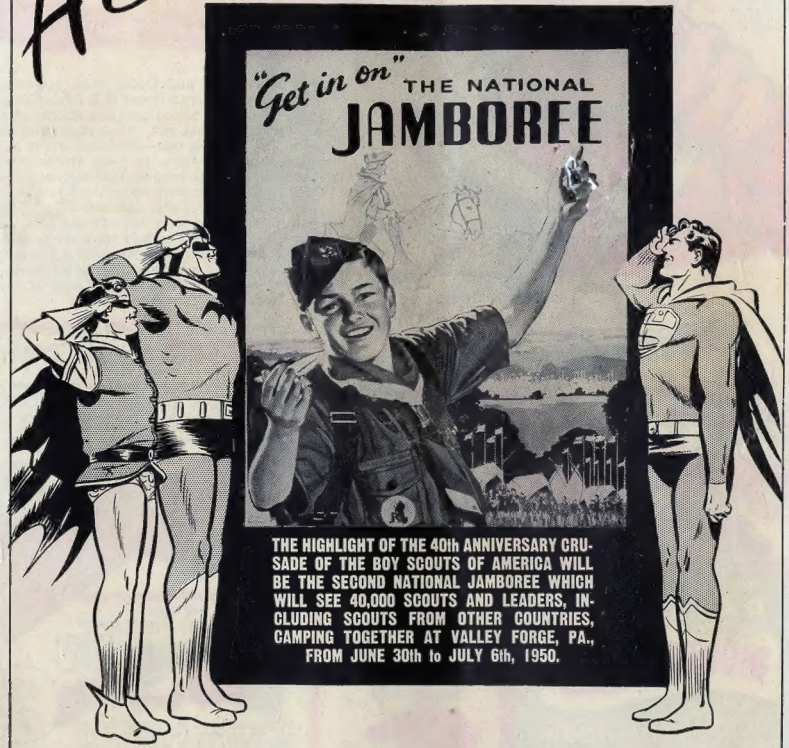
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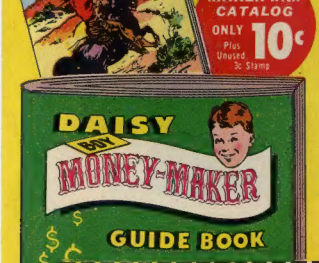

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